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CLOTH CONTROL GOES: COTTON TRADE FREED

But Measures Against Hoarding Continue

FLOOR AND CEILING PRICES ABOLISHED

Export Duty On All Spinnable Staples Doubled

BOMBAY, January 19.

The Industry's Committee of the Textile Control Board which concluded its session here today has finalised decisions to withdraw all controls on cloth and yarn and production and prices.

Control on the movement of cloth and yarn from province to province will however be retained says a Press note issued by the Textile Commissioner.

The Government propose to call upon the millowners and producers of cloth to set apart about 20 per cent of their production to be sold under the aegis of a semi-official authority at fair price shops to check possibilities of rise in prices.

Fixation Of Prices

Government have received the assurance of the Industry, says the Press Note, that they will fix reasonable prices taking into consideration the current prices of cotton.

The present system of distribution of yarn will be continued for the present in the interests of the handloom weavers.

Export Duty Doubled

To stabilise cotton prices, the present export duty will be doubled, and the statutory floors and ceiling of cotton prices will be abolished with immediate effect.

The Note concludes with an assurance that "Government are prepared to consider the reimposition of the control, should circumstances render it necessary".

The following is the full text of the Press Note:—

In November 1947 the Government of India announced their decision to put into force the Standardisation Scheme for the production of cloth and yarn as finally devised on the recommendations of the "ad hoc" committee and to refer the question of prices to the Tariff Board. Since the issue of this communique, Government have decided to relax control over food with a view to its eventual elimination in stages. In pursuance of this policy of progressive decontrol of commodities, Government have also decided that the existing control over cotton textiles should be considerably relaxed.

During the last few weeks there has been a sharp and sudden increase in raw cotton prices all over the world and these increases have had their repercussions in India. Difficulties have also arisen in the matter of securing supplies of long staple cotton from Pakistan on which the scheme of Standardisation was very largely based. These increases have made it necessary to relax the Standardisation Scheme. Some increase of prices of yarn and cloth appears to be inevitable, at least for the time being. It has also become desirable to devise a scheme which will provide for flexibility both in production programmes and in ex-mill prices.

SPEEDING UP PRODUCTION

As regards production it has been decided that every mill will, in future, be allowed to reach the targets already laid down either by following the Standardisation scheme or by rationalising its production to suit its individual circumstances. Subject to certain limitations of a general nature devised to increase production and also to direct it towards such types and varieties as are in great demand like dhoties and sarees, mills will be allowed to work out their own production programmes in the light of the demands of the market and their own raw material position.

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ACTION AGAINST BARODA MILL

BOMBAY, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): It is understood that action has been taken by the Textile Commissioner to the Government of India against the Shri Sayajirao Mills, Baroda, for having held in excess cloth bales manufactured by the mill.

The mill was also found to have packed unstamped cloth in bales.

Sterling Talks In Delhi

Pakistan Delegation To Participate

KARACHI, Jan 19 (A.P.I.)—The Pakistan Government, it is learnt, has decided to send its delegation to New Delhi for tripartite talks with the Government of India and the British Delegation on sterling balances.

The decision was taken after an invitation to send a delegation had been received from Sir Jeremy Raisman, head of the British Delegation and from the Government of India.

The Pakistan Delegation will be held by Mr. Zahid Hussain, Pakistan High Commissioner in India, and include Dr. Anwar Iqbal Quereshi, Deputy Economic Adviser to the Pakistan Government, Mr. Mohammed Ismal, Chief Controller of Imports and Exports, Dr. L. Nemenyi, Officer on Special Duty, Ministry of Finance and Mr. Mumtaz Hassan, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Finance Government of Pakistan.

Mr. Zahid Hussain is already in Delhi. The rest of the delegates will leave for Delhi by air tomorrow afternoon.

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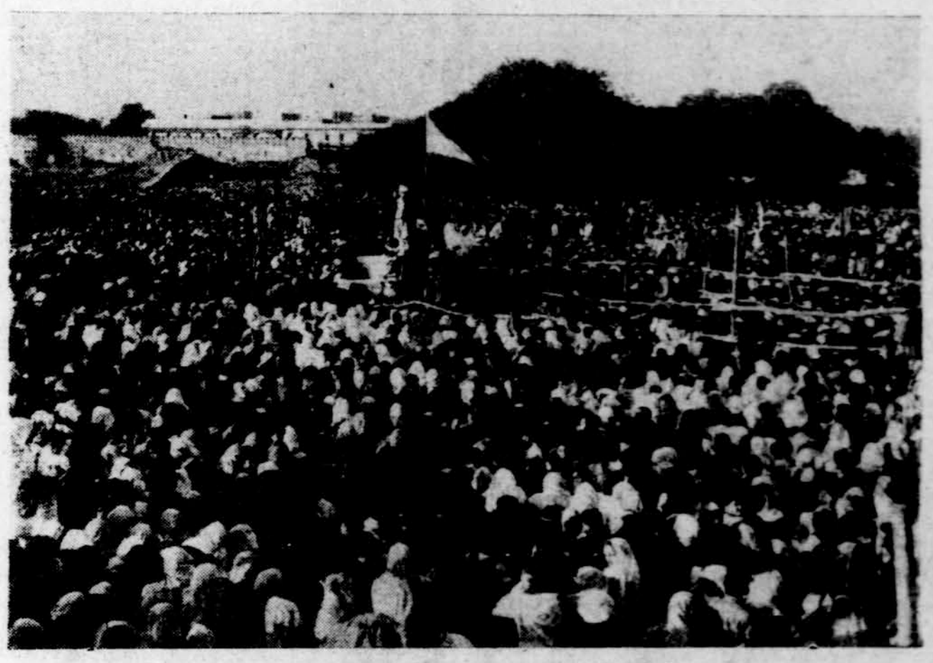

Pandit Nehru addresses mammoth peace meeting in Ramlila Grounds, Delhi.

Kashmir Round-Table Talks Deadlock

NO DEDUCTION OF EXPENSES

Pakistan Insists On Payment Of Full 55 Crores Of Cash Balances

KARACHI, Jan. 19 (API).—The Government of Pakistan have received from the Government of India a copy of the 'communique' announcing their decision to implement immediately the Financial Agreement with Pakistan in regard to the cash balances, stated a press 'communique' issued by the Cabinet Secretariat, Government of Pakistan tonight.

The Pakistan Government note with surprise that the Government of India intend to transfer the sum of Rs. 55 crores after deducting the expenditure incurred by the Government of India since August 15 on Pakistan account, which position is again untenable and wrong because the Financial Agreement does not provide for any such deductions to be made from Pakistan's share of the cash balances before it is transferred.

There is no provision in the Agreement for deductions of any kind. Further, since the 14th August, 1947, not only have the Government of India met certain expenditure on behalf of Pakistan, but the Government of Pakistan have met some expenditure on behalf of India.

"These transactions will be adjusted between the two Governments in accordance with the procedure agreed to by both the authorities in the Partition Council according to which such expenditure will have to be certified and accepted by the Auditors-General of Pakistan and India respectively before the question of payment arises. The deduction of any figure from the cash balances of Pakistan at the present stage by the Government of India would be quite arbitrary and contrary to the agreed procedure and would consequently be unacceptable to the Pakistan Government."

The 'communique' added: "The Government of Pakistan must point out that the allocation of the cash balances is only one item in the Financial Agreement and press that the Government of India should implement the other items without delay, particularly the transfer of Pakistan's due share of military stores and equipment.

"They further hope that all action in the economic field which has been operative for some time against Pakistan shall cease as such action is not only against existing agreements, but constitutes an unfriendly act."

STANDSTILL PACT IN PRACTICE

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): A Mir Laik Ali, Prime Minister of the Nizam State, is understood to be in communication with India's Deputy Prime Minister, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, in connection with a number of points arising out of the working of the Standstill Agreement.

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 19. (Reuter): A partial deadlock was, it was believed, reached tonight in the Round Table negotiations on proposals to set up a United Nations Three-man Commission to Kashmir.

Although neither the Pakistan nor the Indian Delegation was prepared to make an immediate official statement, it was understood at the end of today's meeting at the Belgian Delegation Offices, in a New York skyscraper, that no agreement had been reached on the powers of the proposed Commission.

The meeting took place behind closed doors.

Further private meetings were being held today and the President of the Security Council, M. Fernand van Lanenhove, (Belgium), will now report to the Security Council at a meeting to be held at 3-30 p.m. G.M.T. (9 p.m. I.S.T.) tomorrow.

The question of Terms of Reference of the proposed Commission was the crucial disagreement.

WHERE THEY DIFFERED

Here is the gist of the disagreement.

Pakistan wants the Commission to have the widest powers possible, which would include:

Firstly, power to order a cease-fire and ensure that this is being observed on both sides.

Secondly, freedom to consult with all parties concerned on equal terms, including representatives of the 'Free Kashmir' movement.

Thirdly, full powers to act in the nature of a "Neutral" administration which would organise and supervise the holding of a

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Gandhiji Better

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19. (API) According to Dr. Sushila Nayar, "though still weak Mahatma Gandhi is obviously better today. He will however take some time to regain his health".

The number of visitors was considerably less today. In the morning Mahatma Gandhi was acquainted with the situation of Delhi by some Muslim leaders.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK COTTON MARCH
NEW YORK, Jan. 19.

Previous Closing	35.60
Today's Opening	35.70
Difference	+10
Today's Closing	35.35
Difference	—25

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
NEW YORK, Jan. 19.

Stock Exchange opening prices:
Anaconda Copper Mining 33-5 8.
General Motors 56.
United States Steel Common 75-3/4.
Preference unquoted.

LAST QUOTATIONS
BOMBAY, Jan. 19.

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Cotton Jarila Jan	.....	
Cotton Jarila March	518	0
Silver Bullion	166	8
Gold Forward	106	2
Sovereign	68	8

PAKISTAN ORDINANCE

Amnesty For Military Personnel

KARACHI, Jan. 19 (A.P.I.)—By an ordinance (the India Military Personnel Amnesty Ordinance, 1948) issued today, the Government of Pakistan have implemented an agreement reached at the Joint Defence Council in Lahore regarding the grant of a General Amnesty to certain military personnel who were engagd on duties connected with internal defence or the protection or evacuation of refugees.

The Pakistan ordinance lays down that no legal proceedings shall be instituted in any civil court, criminal court or court-martial in Pakistan against any member of the Military forces of India who was engaged in these duties in respect of any act done, or purporting to be done, between August 15, 1947 and December 22, 1947, any pending legal proceedings will be withdrawn.

A similar Ordinance in respect of Pakistan Military Personnel on duty in India has been issued by the Government of India.

STOP PRESS

BARODA SKITTLED OUT: NAROTTAM TAKES 7 FOR 16

DHROL, Jan. 19 (A.P.I.): Deadly bowling by the Kathiawar bowler Narottam who took seven wickets—including a hat trick—for only 16 runs was a feature of the play in the Ranji Trophy match between Baroda and Kathiawar which began here yesterday. Baroda who had made 122 for four wickets yesterday were all out for 177. All remaining six wickets falling to Narottam whose final figures were 16.3/7/16/7.

AZAD KASHMIR CHIEF'S OFFER TO U. N.

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 19. (Reuter). Sirdar Mohamed Ibrahim Khan, President of the Azad Kashmir Government who claims to represent 95 per cent of Kashmir's Muslim population, told a press conference here today his party wants immediate withdrawal of outside forces from Kashmir and will call on the United Nations to establish a "neutral" non-Kashmir administration to take charge of the Government there and leave it to the people to decide whether they want to join India or Pakistan.

MEDIATORS FOR SETTLEMENT OF INDO-S. AFRICAN DISPUTES

DURBAN, Jan. 19. (Reuter): Delegates from South African Indian Organisation will fly to India for discussions with the Pakistan and Indian Governments after a meeting between the Union Premier General Smuts and an Indian deputation on January 29.

The delegates will be selected at a National Conference of Indian organisations to be held in Durban within a fortnight of the meeting.

India Will Resist Any Reunion Proposal

Nehru Refutes Zafrullah's Conspiracy Charge

Not Willing To Take Over Pakistan's Problems

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.); The Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, today refuted the Pakistan Government's allegation in the Security Council that India had been conspiring against partition.

"Leave aside conspiring against partition, if at this Pakistan were to ask for a reunion, we shall definitely refuse it and resist any such move", he said.

Pandit Nehru, who was addressing a big public meeting held here this evening to celebrate the end of Mahatma Gandhi's fast said that he was grieved to read about the Pakistan Delegation's allegations against India.

Pakistan's case, he said, was full of misstatement of facts and he was amazed to see such baseless allegations coming from a responsible Government.

ABSURD TALK

Pandit Nehru said: "The main argument in their case was that India wanted to end partition. This is an absurd thing to say, because if that had been our intention we would not have accepted partition in June last and would have resisted it with our might. We accepted partition willingly, hoping, all the same, that when tempers cool down, the force of events will bring about a reunion of the two arts.

"In all our actions, since the partition, we have been guided by a spirit of settlement with Pakistan. This is clear from the speed and manner in which we settled all outstanding matters between the two Dominions. We could easily have referred all the issues to Arbitration Tribunal and thus delayed their settlement by months and months."

Both India and Pakistan, the Prime Minister continued, had their problems to solve, but Pakistan's problems were of a much more serious character and "we would not be willing to add their problems to our own by a reunion."

THIS TALK OF WAR

Pandit Nehru deprecated all talk of war with Pakistan. Many people were talking of war with Pakistan in an irresponsible manner without understanding the implication of what they said and the gravity of such a step. "We

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AZAD TO VISIT LONDON

LONDON, Jan. 19 (U.P.A.): It was learned today that Indian Education Minister Maulana Azad is scheduled to visit London next month in connection with the disposition of Indian art treasures, archieves, etc., which are at present housed in the former India Office and other Government departments.

Gurkhas Opt For India

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (A.P.I.)—Over ninety percent of the Gurkhas of the former Indian Army have opted to serve in the Indian Army as a result of an army referendum held recently under the joint supervision of Indian, Nepalese and British Army representatives, it is learnt here.

There were over seven thousand Gurkhas in the Indian Army on partition day, who were affected by the referendum.

Gurkhas of the Indian Army, fully officered by Indians and Gurkhas are fighting at various points on the Jammu front.

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PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE

Office of the Deputy Regional Food Controller, Moradabad Sub-region MORABAD.

8585 maunds overseas OATS (Jai) stored partly in Kothas and partly in khattis will be sold by Public Auction on 12th February, 1948, at 2 p.m. in the office of the undersigned.

1. Purchasers will be allowed to move the stocks anywhere in the Indian Dominion on payment of -/8/- per maund superior Administration charges.

2. Samples can be seen at Moradabad on application.

3. The acceptance of the final bid will be subject to the sanction of the U. P. Govt.

All intending purchasers are invited to attend.

S. G. BOSE MULLICK
Dy. Regional Food Controller.
Moradabad, 8-1-1948.
(6967)

NOTICE.

TENDERS ARE INVITED by the Directorate General, Dates Association, for supplying Dates Packing materials comprising wooden boxes, box assembling nails, iron hoops, hocping nails, waxed or oiled kraft paper and cellophane paper.

Quotations from Iraq and abroad should be submitted by Registered Post in sealed covers to the Directorate General, Dates Association, Baghdad, duly marked "Tender for supplying Dates Packing Materials."

Tender's period shall be closed at the end of office hours on 29th February, 1948.

Details of tender showing specifications and quantities of materials required together with the terms of tender can be obtained free of charge on application to the Directorate General, Dates Association, Baghdad or Basrah, and the Royal Iraq Consulate General, 203, Walkeshwar Road, Malabar Hill, Bombay 6.
(6916)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

THE B. E. S. & T. COMMITTEE.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the construction of a power station and residential quarters at Apollo Street, opposite R.I.N. Docks. Work estimated to cost Rs. 4 lakhs. Plans, specifications, etc. can be obtained from the office of the Planning Engineer at Electric House, Ormiston Road, Fort at any time between 10-30 a.m. and 4-30 p.m. on any working day except Saturday, on payment of Rs. 20/- per set. Tenders close 29th January. (6972)

NOTICE.

THE TRADERS' BANK LTD.
Registered Office, Delhi.

IT IS NOTIFIED that for the Creditors meeting of the Traders' Bank Ltd. to be held on the 31st. January 1948, at 10 A. M. at the Registered Office of the Bank at 13 Rajpur Road, Delhi, proxy forms should be sent, as already announced to the office of the chairman at 45 Swiss Hotel, Allpore Road, Delhi, at least 72 hours before the time fixed for the meeting, duly executed by the creditor in favour of any other person or creditor of the Bank and not in favour of the chairman himself.

By Order of the Court
(Sd.) D. N. BAKSHI,
Advocate.
Chairman, Creditors' Meeting
(6974)

THE DHANALAKSHMI MILLS, LIMITED., TIRUPUR.

NOTICE.

SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 1315 in respect of five shares in the Capital of the above Company Nos. 15040 to 15044 issued in the name of Mr. Hashim Ismail Ahmed Gulam Mohamed, Merchant, Variav, (Dist. Surat) must be sent to the Company on or before 2nd February, 1948, for cancellation. If not sent on or before 2nd February, 1948, it will be deemed to be to have been CANCELLED. The public are hereby informed that those shares are not to be dealt with by Mr. Hashim Ismail Ahmed Gulam Mohamed, Variav, as he is not the rightful owner.

For the Dhanalakshmi Mills Ltd. for M. Nanjappa Chettiar & Sons.
By
(Sd.) M. N. C. VEERABHADRAM.
Managing Agents and Secretaries.

Notice issued more particularly to Mr. Hashim Ismail Ahmed Gulam Mohamed, Variav.
(6973)

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE.
ANNUAL CONTRACT ITEM
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CLASS I CONTRACT.

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the following and will be received in the General Manager's office, E.I.Ry., 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta, at 12 noon on 16-2-48.

SP/E/F1/17/QII/48 for supply of 142 tons of Wire Fencing, G.I., 7 strand, 14 SWG. to ISD Specification No. G/Wire 36/B.

Tender forms with full particulars can be had from the office of the Controller of Stores, E.I.Ry., 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta, on payment of Rs. 5/- per copy to the Treasurer, E.I.Ry., 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta, and on production of his receipt when applying for the same.

Firms outside Calcutta, may however, remit the amount to the Controller of Stores by money order. No refund is permissible.

Sealed tenders delivered by hand should be presented for registration to the General Manager's office and then put into the tender box outside the Deputy General Manager (Works), room by the tenderer or his representative.

The tender will be opened in the office of the Deputy General Manager (Works) E.I.Ry., Calcutta, at 12 noon on 16-2-48. The tenderers, if they desire, may be present at the time of opening of the tenders.

GENERAL MANAGER.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

G. I. P. RAILWAY—TENDERS.

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites tenders for Printing, Binding and Supplying the G. I. P. Railway Goods Tariff Part II-A and II-B separately. Forms of tender are obtainable from the Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13, at Rs. 2/- per copy per part: not refundable. Money Order or Cash only. Closing date 5th February, 1948 at 3 P. M. (S.T.) (6908)

BOMBAY PORT TRUST

NOTICE.

IN CONTINUATION of the Chief Engineer's Notice, dated 31st December, 1947, all the Port Trust workmen, who are on strike at present are hereby informed that unless they resume duty by 2 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 23rd January, 1948, they will be dismissed from service with immediate effect.

The workmen so dismissed will:—

(1) Be liable to forfeiture of the Trustees' contributions to their Provident Fund under the Trustees' Provident Fund Rules;
(2) Have to vacate Port Trust quarters, if any, occupied by them;
(3) Cease immediately to be entitled to the grain concession; and
(4) Have to transfer their ration cards to outside grain-shops.

No disciplinary action will be taken against the workers, who resume duty by the above date and their absence during the period of the strike will be condoned and treated as leave WITHOUT PAY.

V. S. BHIDE,
Chairman.
Bombay, 19th January, 1948.
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NOTICE

THE APOLLO MILLS LIMITED.

APPLICATION has been received by the Directors of this Company to issue duplicate Share Certificates for 200 shares Nos. 159401 500 and 1557676,775 standing in the name of Mr. Benjamin Gasper Forseca, B.A., LL.B., Advocate High Ccurt, Bombay, upon the statement that the original certificates have been LOST. And notice is is hereby given that if within 30 days from the date hereof, no claim or representation in respect of such original certificates is made to the said Directors at the Registered Office of the Company, situated at Delisle Road, Chinchpokli, Bombay 11, they will then proceed to deal with such application for issue of duplicates of the share certificates.

J. S. DAWDA,
Secretary.
Bombay, dated 20th, January, 1948.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS GIVEN Bai RAKHMABAI alias NIRABAI, widow of Gangaram Tukaram Pareikar has contracted to sell undermentioned property to my client. Persons having claim of whatsoever nature should write to me at Bharat Bhuwan, Opp. Bank of India (Kal. br.), Bombay, within 14 days, otherwise sale will be completed without regard to any claim.

Quit and Ground rent land with house at 1st Carpenter Street, Bombay, 69 sq. yds. Collector Old No. 1718, New No. 8847, Old Survey No. 501, New No. 5242, Cadastral Survey No. 2995 Bhuleshwar Division, C. Ward No. 6579, Street No. 38, East property of Veljee Nanjee, West property of Nanalal Mancharam, North property of Madhawraw Yeshwantjee, South 1st Carpenter Street.

M. A. DOTIVALA
Purchaser's Advocate.
Bombay, 17th January 1948.
(6981)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

Testamentary and Intestate Jurisdiction.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of PUSHPASEN TRIBHOWANDAS GORAGANDHI late of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant a Registered Medical Practitioner (Vaid) residing at the time of his death at Saraswati Villa, Laburnum Road, Gamdevi, outside the Fort of Bombay ..... Deceased.

1. NIRMALABAI PUSHPASEN GORAGANDHI and (2) BABALSINGH PUSHPASEN GORAGANDHI, both of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants, the Executrix and Executor respectively mentioned in the Will of the deceased abovenamed, both residing at Saraswati Villa Laburnum Road, Gamdevi ,outside the Fort of Bombay. .... Petitioners

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

Witness MAHOMMEDALI CURRIM CHAGLA, Esquire, Acting Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 8th day of January, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty-eight and in the Twelfth year of our Reign.

(Sd.)
K. K. DASTUR,
Protonotary & Senior Master.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) A. R. NARAYAN AYYER.
Sealer.

The 8th day of January, 1943.
Messrs. MOHILE & PAREKH.
Petitioner's Attorneys.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

LOST OR MISLAID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate Nos. 2619, 66467, 7691, 10081 84, 11710, 12085 86 12089 and 19209 in respect of 54 shares numbered 71287 89, 85463 70, 88627 28, 97928 35, 102942 43, 103857 60, 103865 66 and 3974 8998 respectively of the All India General Insurance Company, Limited standing in the name of Mr. Abbas Ibrahim Jafferjee have been LOST or MISLAID and the undersigned has applied to the Company to issue duplicate Share Certificates for the said Shares. Any persons having any claim on the said shares should notify to and lodge such claim with the Company at its registered office: Podar Chambers, Parsee Bazar Street, Fort, Bombay, within one month from this date, after which no claim will be considered and the Company will proceed to issue duplicate Share Certificates.

ABBAS IBRAHIM JAFFERJEE.
Place 176 78, Samuel St.,
Bombay.
Date -1-1948.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MAHOMEDALLI TAJBHOY, of Bombay Mahomedan Inhabitant has agreed to sell by way of exchange the undermentioned property to our clients.

ALL persons having any claim or demand whatsoever against or to the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lease, lien, easement or otherwise are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersgned at their Office at Alli Chambers, Dean Lane, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase shall be completed without any reference to any such claim or demand and any such claim or demand shall be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground with the messuage tenements or dwelling houses standing thereon, situate lying and being at Mahim Bazar Cross Road (being Plot No. 5 of the Municipal land at Mahim Bazar Cross Road) outside the Fort of Bombay, in the Island and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 748 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 136 and Cadastral Survey No. 1986 of Mahim Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Bombay Municipality under G Ward No. 5699 (2G) and Street No. 175E and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the East by Plot No. 6 of the said land sold to Mr. R. A. Hessing, on or towards the West by Plot No. 4 of the said land agreed to be leased to F. G. Baptista, on or towards the North by the said Mahim Bazar Cross Road Extension and on or towards the South by private property bearing C. S. 761 of Mahim Division.

Dated this 20th day of January, 1948.

POPATLAL & JIVABHAI,
Purchasers' Attorneys
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CASSUM HAJI, of Bombay Mahomedan Inhabitant has agreed to sell by way of exchange the undermentioned property to our clients.

ALL persons having any claim or demand whatsoever against or to the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lease, lien, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Alli Chambers, Dean Lane, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase shall be completed without any reference to any such claim or demand and any such claim or demand shall be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO:—

ALL that piece or parcel of Quit and Ground Rent land or ground with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Ali Umar Street in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 159 square yards of thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 974, New No. 8147, Old Survey No. 1902 and New Survey No. 795 and Cadastral Survey No. 3273, of Bhuleshwar Division and registered in the Books of the Assessor and Collector of Bombay Municipality under 5 (c) Ward No. 6081 and Street No. 28 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the said Ali Umar Street, on or towards the West by Sweepers passage, on or towards the North by the property of Haji Shaikh Ladha Haji Jacob and on or towards the South by the property of Khanmahomed Alimahomed and Janmahomed Alimahomed.

Dated this 20th day of January, 1948.

POPATLAL & JIVABHAI.
Purchasers' Attorneys.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that one of our client has agreed to purchase from Messrs. ESMAIL VALIMAHOMED and EBRAHIM MOOSA, the undermentioned properties.

All persons having any claim against or to the said properties by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Examiner Press Building, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTIES.

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Baroda All Out For 177

In West Zone Semi-final Of Ranji Trophy

DHROL, Jan. 19 (API).—The West Zone Semi-final in the Cricket Championship of India for the Ranji trophy between Baroda and Kathiawar began here on Sunday. Play began after lunch owing to the wicket being damp after rain overnight. Baroda won the toss and batted first. At close of play Baroda had made 122 for four wickets. When play was resumed today Baroda were all out for 177.

Following are closing scores:

BARODA (First Innings)

A. Pawar, c Purshottam, b Narottam	18
Yakub Shaikh c Balan b Jayantilal	7
A Shinde b Girdhari	44
Yuvraj of Baroda c and b Girdhari	14
Nimbalkar c Balan b Narottam	50
D. Gaikwar b Narottam	27
S. Vichare (not out)	6
M. M. Naidu, lbw b Narottam	1
K. Gaikwar c Jayantilal b Narottam	1
Vivek Hazare b Narottam	0
Ahmed Patel b Narottam	0
Extras	9
Total	177

Fall of Wickets: 1/9, 2/52, 3/82, 4/113, 5/161, 6/171, 7/175, 8/177, 9/177.

Bowling Analysis: Jayantilal 18-4-33-1, Purshottam 10-0-18-0, Nyalchand 20-4-38-0, Narottam 16.3-7-16-7, Girdhari 22-5-63-2.

QUEENSLAND'S FIRST INNINGS LEAD

BRISBANE, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—Queensland gained a useful first innings lead of 69 when they were dismissed for 331 in reply to South Australia's total of 262 in the Sheffield Shield Match which was continued here today. At the close of play South Australia had scored 170 for the loss of three wickets in their second innings and led by 101 runs.

The wickets was still fairly fast when play was resumed today and Aurbrey Carrigan was again Queensland's mainstay. He took his overnight score of 121 not out to 166, scored in 5 hours 36 minutes, including 19 boundaries.

Carrigan gave a hard chance when 43; otherwise he played a flawless innings. He badly jarred his hand when in the forties and thereafter batted under considerable difficulty.

South Australian wicket-keeper, Gilbert Langley, brilliantly caught five batsmen, stumped one, allowed only two byes and enhanced his already serious claim to tour England with Australian team as second keeper.

Indian Hockey Team In East Africa

Reuter whose coverage of the activities of the Indian Hockey Federation touring team in East Africa has been practical nil, have today creeded the bare results of the matches played by the tourists so far. Here they are:—

The I. H. team beat Mombassa	7—0
Asian Sports Association Nairobi	5—0
Parklands Sports Club. Nairobi	2—0
Combined European, Nairobi	4 0
The Hockey Association of Kenya	9—0
Nakuru Indians	9—0
Nakuru Europeans	15—1
Kisumu Combined XI and	16—0 17—0
Uganda Europeans, Kampala	9—1
Uganda Goans, Kampala	17—0
Uganda Indians	12—0
Uganda Combined XI	11—0

B.N.R. Wins Senior Athletic Cup

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (API).—The two-day session of the 14th annual meet of the Indian Railways Athletic Association, which was held at the Irwin Stadium, concluded on Sunday. Following are the winners in the tournament:

The Senior Railways Athletic Challenge Cup was won by the Bengal Nagpur Railway and that of the Junior Railways by the Nizam's State Railways. Messrs. K. L. Perrett (Bengal Nagpur Railway) and C. G. Cleur (South Indian Railway) received cups for best athletes.

Inter Railways Tennis Tournament: Sir Edward Benthal Challenge Cup was won by the East Indian Railway defeating the Bombay, Baroda and Central Indian Railway.

Inter-Railways Tug-of-War Tournament: Eastern Punjab Railway defeated the East Indian Railway.

Mrs. Bakhale, wife of the Chief Commissioner of Railways, distributed the prizes to the winners.

BENARES BEATS MADRAS IN 'VARSITY HOCKEY

(From Our Correspondent).

NAGPUR, Jan. 19.—The Benares Hindu University beat Madras University by one goal to nil in the 'Varsity Hockey Finals today. Nirmal Kumar Das, left-in, scored the solitary goal five minutes before time.

Madras pressed hard but missed several opportunities.

A.-I. BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIP

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NEED TO PROMOTE MASS LITERACY

Rani Maharaj Singh Pleads For Co-operation of India's Youth

BOMBAY, Monday.

Her Excellency Rani Maharaj Singh, presiding over a women's meeting held in connection with the seventh Literacy Week at Sundrabai Hall this evening called upon educated young boys and girls to undertake the responsibility of promoting the cause of literacy in this country.

Her Excellency said that India was free now and for the success of democratic regime in the country, removal of illiteracy was very necessary. It was the duty of every educated Indian to work selflessly for the progress of education. Every one of them should decide to help the cause by teaching his or her neighbour. Rani Maharaj Singh said that after attending the first meeting of the Literacy Week, she went home and asked her Ayya whether she could read and write. On her Ayya's telling her that she was illiterate, the Rani took upon herself to teach her. Similarly if every one tried to educate the illiterate Rani Maharaj Singh hoped India would be soon free from mass illiteracy and the India's outlook also be better.

The meeting was held under the auspices of 58 different women's organisations of Bombay and among those who addressed were Mr. K. G. Saiyadain, Educational Adviser to the Government of Bombay, Miss Amy B. H. J. Rustamjee, Principal Secondary Training College, Bombay and Mrs. Babiben Mulji.

Mrs. Kulsum Sayani welcoming Rani Maharaj Singh referred to the activities of the Adult Education Committee and stressed the importance of education.

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To-day's Engagements

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: Adjourned meeting, 3-10 p.m. (S.T.)

ROTARY CLUB MEETING: At Green's Hotel at 1-45 p.m. today (Tuesday) when Dr. Oscar Brunler will speak on "Brain Radiations".

BOMBAY METALLURGICAL SOCIETY: Meeting today at 6-15 p.m. at the Conference Hall of the B.E. S.T. Co.'s Electric House when Mr. N. H. Zatakia, B.Sc., will deliver a lecture on "The Australian Non-Ferrous Industries". Prof. N. P. Gandhi will preside.

P.E.N. PUBLIC LECTURE: "Cultural Ideals in Swedish Literature" will be the subject of a public lecture by Mr. John-Erik Elmberg, at 6-15 p.m. today at the Government Law College. Mr. A. A. A. Fyzee will preside.

THANA CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION: The Annual General Meeting of this Association was held in the Thana Town Hall on Sunday under the presidentship of Mr. A. C. Hendricks. The following office bearers were elected for 1948:—Mr. E. M. Alvares President, Messrs. A. C. Hendricks, T. E. Pereira, Joseph Serpes and Noel D'Cunha, Vice-Presidents. Mr. Diago Alvares and Daniel Pereira as General Secretary and Treasurer, respectively.

DENA BANK EMPLOYEES' UNION: An extra-ordinary General Meeting of the Dena Bank Employees' Union, Bombay will be held at the Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall, Sandhurst Road, Bombay today (Tuesday) at 6-15 p.m.

DR. KALIDAS NAG'S LECTURE: Under the auspices of the Indian Institute for Educational and Cultural Co-operation, a public lecture will be delivered by Dr. Kalidas Nag, on Thursday the 22nd inst. 1948 at 6 p.m. at the Durbar Hall of the Bombay Branch Royal Asiatic Society, Town Hall, on "History of Human Relations through Art and Archaeology. Mahamahopadhyaya P. V. Kane, Vice-Chancellor of the Bombay University will preside.

DR. SATHAYE'S APPRECIATION: Dr. D. D. Sathaye writes to express publicly his appreciation of the honour done to him by the National Medical College Old Boy's Association of Poona and other past students of the N.M.C. in founding a prize in his name to be awarded to the student of the National Medical College who stands first in his college in anatomy examination of the Bombay University every year.

BOMBAY MUSLIM CO-OPERATIVE BANK: The opening ceremony of the branch of the Bombay Muslim Co-operative Bank, Ltd., at Abba Building near Null Bazar Junction of Sandhurst Road and Erskine Road, will be performed by the Hon. Mr. V. L. Mehta on Friday the 23rd inst. at 5 p.m. The Hon. Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, will preside.

MATANG SAMAJ: Mr. V. B. Aihat, Secretary of the Matanga Samaj Zadu Utpadak Sahakari Mandal, writes that Mr. Limbaji Asaram Kamble is no longer manager of the Mandal as his resignation of his post has been accepted by the Samaj and that henceforward the Mandal will not be responsible for any dealings by him on behalf of the Samaj.

DOCK PATHANS' UNION: A Pathan Union of the Dock Workers has been formed under the presidentship of Advocate B. B. Panchotia, in the general body meeting of the Pathans held in Congress House Compound, Sri. N. N. Trivedi of the Hindustan Mazdoor Sevak Sangh explained to the Pathans to be united and remain faithful to the Congress as well as the Government of the Indian Union and not to allow to be influenced by any other party and thus become a victim of others, whose main aim is to exploit the poor workers to gain their own ends. The following were then elected as office bearers for the current year:—Janab N. Y. Nurie, President, Sri. H. N. Trivedi Vice-President and Sri. B. B. Panchotia, General Secretary.

Blanket Ball For Upcountry Refugees

Mrs. Bapsey Sabavala has organized a mammoth Ball at the Taj Mahal Hotel on January 22 by means of which she hopes to raise an amount big enough to send thousands of blankets to Delhi. There will also be a satisfying supper for all those who spend Rs. 12 each for so excellent a cause. Tickets can be had from Mrs. Sabavala's office, Industrial Bldg. opp. Churchgate Station.

Millowners Association's Deputy Chairman

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. Neville N. Wadia, Director of the Bombay Dyeing & Manufacturing Co. Ltd., was elected today the Deputy Chairman of the Millowners' Association for the year 1948.

NETAJI JAYANTI

Netaji Jayanti Committee will meet again today (Tuesday) at 7 p.m. in Tamarind House, Fort. Flag Salutation and Volunteers' Rally will be at Kamgar Maidan in the morning at 9 a.m. A public meeting will be held at the same Maidan at 5 p.m. in the evening.

LITERACY WEEK

Today's Features: There is a special feature programme in Gujarati from 12 noon to 12-45 p.m. while in the evening, from 7 to 7-10, Mr. K. G. Saiyidain, Educational Adviser to the Government of Bombay, will broadcast a talk in Hindustani.

Capt. D. N. Mukerji, R. I. N., the Senior-most Indian Officer in the R.I.N. is the first Indian Officer to be raised to the rank of a Captain in the Engineering Branch of the R.I.N.

Injunction Refused

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Bhagwati.

Gordhandas Bhagatram....Plaintiff Vs.

The East India Chamber of Commerce Ld. and others....Defendants.

His Lordship dismissed a notice of motion taken out by the plaintiff for a temporary injunction restraining defendants 1 pending the disposal of the suit from enforcing a resolution passed by it on 9th January 1948 or taking action on it, and defendants 2 to 14 from moving the Chamber (defendants 1) to take action against the plaintiff for not complying with that resolution.

The plaintiff and defendants 2 to 14 are members of the Chamber (defendants 1). The plaintiff had dealings in silver for the Magsar Vad 30 fortnightly "vaida". The plaintiff alleged that he had in the aggregate purchased from them 1287 pieces of silver of the value of about Rs. 15 lakhs for that vaida. On 9th January 1948, the Board of Directors of the Chamber passed a resolution declaring that an emergency had arisen for Magsar Vad 30 "Vaida", extending the settlement date for fixing the "Kapli" rate and for the completion of "sodas" for that "vaida" from 10th to 17th January 1948, and adding an intermediate clearing on 10th January 1948 for those transactions. The plaintiff contended that the Chamber had no power to alter the incidents of existing contracts and filed this suit for a declaration that the resolution of 9th January 1948 was void and for an injunction restraining the Chamber from enforcing that resolution.

Dissolving the interim injunction and dismissing the notice of motion His Lordship held that though a prima facie case had been made out, as the date on 17th January was admittedly the same as that on 10th January, there was no such injury as would require the protection of the Court by means of an injunction.

His Lordship, however, expedited the hearing of the suit.

Mr. M. L. Maneksha, Mr. C. K. Daphtary Advocate-General and Mr. K. T. Desai instructed by Messrs. Motichand & Devidas appeared for the plaintiff in support of the Motion.

Mr. K. A. Somjee and Mr. M. J. Mistree instructed by Messrs. Shah and Chinubhai appeared for defendants 1 to oppose it.

Mr. J. C. Bhat instructed by Messrs. Khandvala & Chotalal appeared for defendants 2 to 7 and 10 to 14 to oppose it.

The other defendants did not appear.

TODAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY, Jan. 20.

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244 m.— (1,231 kc/s) 7-30 a.m. Avinash Vyas (Vocal) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 P. B. Dev Burman 8-45 Avinash Vyas Geet (Self) 9-0 Wanmanrao Sadolikar Todi 12-0 Variety programme (G).

12-45 p.m. News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Light Variety 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Waltzes and Tangos 4-20 School Broadcasts 5-0 P. B. Dev Burman (Patdeep on Sitar) 5-15 Tarabai Gadagkar (Multani) 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 I. A. Panikar Rag Pantuvarali 6-30 Zawwar Husain Ghazal (Iqbal) 6-45 Avinash Vyas Gujarati Geet (Self) 7-0 Topic Of Day 7-10 Local 7-15 P. B. Dev Burman (Sitar) 7-30 Maze Teekakar in (M) by N. R. Phatak 7-45 Utho-Jago.

8-0 p.m. News (M) 8-15 News (G) by Umar Kureshi 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 BBC News 9-40 Programme Parade 9-45 Great Indians—J. N. Tata in (E) 10-0 Ernst Politzer—Violoncello (Beethoven) 10-15 Minneapolis Symp. Orch. Scherzo from "Octet in E Flat" Mendelssohna 10-20 Maneck Bamboat—Soprano Elizabethan Lyrics Roger Quilter 10-30 The BBC Orchestra "The Dream of Gerontius" Elgar 10-40 Mario Pagliarin—Pianoforte.

VARIATIONS

41.44 m— (7,240 kc/s) 7-40 a.m. Stage Songs "Saubhadra" 5-45 A. S. Gopan (Puria) 6-15 Rural Listeners.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s) 7-45 Commercial News 8-0 Amritlal Navsariwala (G) Songs 8-15 Wamanrao Sadolikar Pad (K. P. Khadilkar) 9-0 Tarabai Gadagkar (Godakh Kalyan) 9-30 Geet Zawwar Husain (Geet Maqbool) 10-0 Tarabai Gadagkar (Sohni) 10-30 Wamanrao Sadolikar (Malkauns).

The hon'ble Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel will address a public meeting at Kamgar Maidan, Parel today (Tuesday at 5-30 p.m. All-India Radio, Bombay will relay the proceedings with a running commentary from 5-30 to 6.00 p.m. and again from 6-15 p.m. onwards. A recording of the entire speech of Sardar Patel will be rebroadcast on Wednesday January 21st at 8-30 a.m.

On Tuesday January 20th at 3-45 p.m. All-India Radio, Bombay will broadcast a talk in English by Sir Ardeshir Dalal on 'J. N. Tata' the Architect of Industrial India in the series 'Great Indians.'

MERGER OF EIGHT STATES WITH BOMBAY IMMINENT

Rulers Confer With Sardar: Alternate Scheme For Rajputana Under Consideration

BOMBAY, Monday.

The merger of eight of the Southern Maharashtra States with the Province of Bombay has become a virtual certainty with the meeting between the States Rulers and Representatives with Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister in charge, States Department this morning.

The rulers of Sangli, Miraj (Sr.), Bhor, Phaltan and Ramdurg and the Dewans of Miraj (Jr.) and Kurundwad called upon Sardar Patel and informed him that they had no objection to the merger provided the peoples of the State desired it. The ruler of Aundh was not present, but it is understood that he had authorised his princely brothers to express his concurrence with them on the subject.

The meeting lasted an hour and a quarter. It was decided that the Constituent Assembly brought into being by the Covenant already entered into between the rulers of these States should meet at Miraj on January 26—Independence Day—and express the view of the representatives of the people on the subject. Since most of the Praja Mandals have already expressed their approval of the idea there is little doubt regarding the decision of the Constituent Assembly.

QUESTION OF PRIVILEGES

The rulers of the States also raised the question of their privileges and privy purse with the Sardar. It is understood that they urged that this should be in terms of the covenant which they had signed.

Sardar Patel said that it was premature to discuss that question. It could be taken up and resolved in a friendly spirit after the Constituent Assembly had expressed its view. He however, assured them that the States Ministry would view the question with the utmost sympathy.

Mr. Madhavrao Bagal, Prime Minister of Kolhapur, the biggest of the Southern Maharashtra States also met Sardar Patel this morning. It is understood that he clarified the position of Kolhapur on the question of merger. No definite conclusion has, however emerged.

Having thus set the stage for the merger of the Southern Maharashtra States, Sardar Patel will now tackle the question of the Kathiawar States and their merger into a new province of Sourashtra.

Representatives of these States are arriving in Bombay to meet Sardar Patel. Discussions are already in progress at Rajkot in this matter between Mr. V. P. Menon, Secretary for the States Ministry and the various States representatives concerned. Mr. Menon will join Sardar Patel at Ahmedabad, when the latter goes there on Wednesday.

Among other Rulers who called on Sardar Patel during his present stay in Bombay was the Ruler of Shahpura, a small state in Rajputana with an annual revenue of Rs. 9 lakhs.

Shahpura is the only state in Rajputana where complete responsible Government has been given to the people. An Interim Government has been set up and preparations are afoot to hold elections on adult franchise shortly.

RAJPUTANA STATES

There is at present a move among the people of the Rajputana States to bring about a merger of some of these States with the Centrally administered area of Ajmer and Merwara thus forming a separate province. This scheme is regarded as an alternative to the creation of a new province of Rajputana, about which there appear to be certain difficulties in the immediate future.

Sardar Patel is now considering the constitutional aspects of the alternate schemes. In this connection the ruler of Shapur expressed to the Sardar his willingness to fall in line with any reasonable scheme which might receive the support of his people.

A meeting of the subjects of Doongarpur, a Rajputana state now resident in Bombay will be held at 9 p.m. at the Marwari Vidyalaya Hall under the Chairmanship of Mr. Kamalanayan Bajaj to consider the alarming reports reaching Bombay regarding conditions in that state. It is understood that organised looting has broken out and a state of lawlessness prevails. It is reported that not only are the officials unable to check the looters but it is alleged that in certain instances are conniving at and co-operating with the law breakers.

BHOPAL MAZDOOR SABHA DISAPPROVES

BHOPAL, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): The Working Committee of the Bhopal Mazdoor Sabha has recorded its disapproval of the constitutional reforms recently announced by the Nawab and urged that an immediate change should be effected in the reforms.

Socialist Programme In Travancore

"Methods Unacceptable To State," Says State Congress Leader

QUILON, Jan. 19 (A.P.I.)—The policy and programme of the Socialist and Communist parties came up for scrutiny and criticism at the hands of Travancore State Congress workers at a public meeting organised here yesterday under the auspices of the Quilon Taluq Congress Committee.

Mr. C. Kesavan, State Congress leader presided.

Dealing with the objects and programmes of the Socialist and Communist parties in Travancore State, he said the methods followed by those parties were not acceptable to Travancore as they were against the culture and traditions of the State. The Kerala Socialist Party he said, had been started for the purpose of spreading militant Socialism throughout the country, and he doubted if this policy would succeed.

There was confusion after Mr. Kesavan had concluded his speech and the meeting broke up in disorder.

BALKAN-JI-BARI MEETING

The children of the Matunga Branch Balkan-ji-Bari met on Sunday in the B.J. Home to receive their certificates of Membership and were distributed by Rao Sahib N. M. Kale. The children were specially pleased to hear that Mahatma Gandhi had broken his fast. Rao Sahib N. N. Iyer introduced Smt. Parvati Gidwani, of Sind Vice-President of All-India Balkan-ji-Bari and Mr. Shevak Bhojraj, the founder of the Bari, and requested Smt. Gidwani to address the children. She said that owing to the disturbed conditions in Karachi, the Bari could not function.

Karnatak University Committee

Draft Report To Be Ready By February

BOMBAY, Jan. 19, (U.P.I.): The Karnatak University Committee met yesterday at Belgaum under the Chairman of Justice N. S. Lokur. Justice Jahagirdar, Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao, Prof. Paramshvya, Prof. Menes, Mr. R. R. Diwakar and Mr. Hanmantrao were present.

The principles on which the report of the Committee was to be based were decided and it is understood the draft report will be ready by the third week of February. The final meeting of the Committee will take place in the last week of March.

It is also learnt that the regional language will be the medium of instruction in the Karnatak University and Hindi would be fostered as the national language. Suitable arrangements would also be made to teach English for purposes of international contact. Representation on Senate, it is understood would be given to Authors' Association, Labour Union, Agriculturists' Association and Journalists' Association. Functional representation is sought to be given to lawyers, doctors and engineers.

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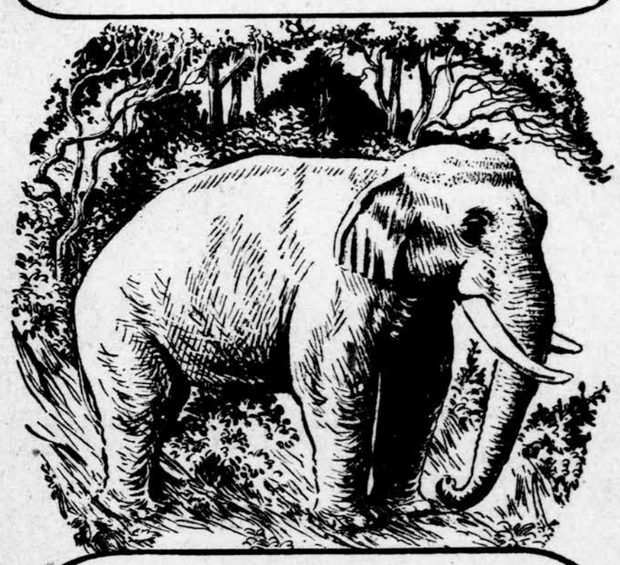

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ALL INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Jan. 19. (A.P.I.): The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, total rainfall from 1st November 1947 and departure from normal, recorded at 8-00 hours I.S.T. on 19th January, 1948: +

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WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA Jan. 19. (A.P.I.): The following is the daily weather summary for Monday, the 19th January 1948: Observations from Northwest India are lacking but it is believed that a fresh western disturbance is moving through the Northwest Frontier Province and the North Punjab. Rainfall has been widespread in the Konkan, Gujerat and the East Punjab and local in the Bombay, Deccan, Mysore and Malabar. A few showers have also occurred in West Central India, the West United Provinces, West Rajputana, South Hyderabad and Southeast Madras.

Night temperatures have been above normal generally over the country.

Forecast until 20th evening: Thunderrain will be fairly widespread in Rajputana, Gujerat, the North Bombay Deccan and local in the West United Provinces. A few thundershowers are also likely in the central parts of the country, the Konkan, the South Bombay, Deccan, West Hyderabad, Mysore and the Madras presidency. A few falls of rain or snow are also likely in the Northwest Frontier Province, Kashmir and the East and North Punjab.

Heavy rainfall warning: Isolated moderate to heavy falls may occur over the regions from West Kathiawar to Northeast Rajputana.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Throughout the world today the worshippers of power are insulting humanity, ignorant of the fact that enslavement of man humiliates everyone.

DR. RABINDRANATH TAGORE.

The Bombay Chronicle

THE COMMON DUTY

By his "do or die" fast Mahatma Gandhi has redeemed India. But continuous and effective vigilance is the price of that redemption. What has been miraculously achieved by the one man in the world today, who can perform the spiritual miracle of changing the heart and turning away anger and bitterness, can be lost if the people are not alert and actively awake to the great yet noble responsibility that has now devolved on them. The inhabitants of Delhi, and more particularly the unfortunate refugees, were put to a severe test and have come out of it splendidly. So well, indeed, that Mahatma Gandhi paid in his prayer speech on Sunday a moving tribute to their love and goodwill which, he said, he would never forget. They made possible the beginning of a magnificent future. This beginning is almost literally half the battle. But the other half has yet to be won.

Gandhiji has explained what convinced him that he could justifiably break his fast and thus save for the nation its most precious asset. That conviction means in a very real sense that he has handed his life over as hostage to the people for their own good behaviour. The Congress President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, who accepted this trust on behalf of the people, said quite truely: "Mahatma Gandhi has broken the fast, trusting our word. The responsibility hereafter is ours, and we must live up to it." "This," declared Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, "is the beginning of the peace drive" adding that the first result of the fast was that there had been a definite change in the atmosphere, which, indeed, augurs well for the future. The good augury has now to be justified and the great responsibility discharged so that Gandhiji's hopes be fulfilled and he be enabled to live in order to take the nation forward to its exalted destiny and to serve humanity which is today, as never before, sorely in need of peace, toleration and brotherly love.

If Gandhiji staked his life it was for the redemption not only of India but of Pakistan also, as, indeed, all his work and effort have always been directed to the same common end. His was the call to Pakistan, too. What will be the response? We concede that Pakistan has recognised Gandhiji and the character and object of his work. During his fast he received a flood of telegrams from Pakistan which go to prove this. We have already referred yesterday to the importance of the reactions of the Prime Ministers of the three major provinces of Pakistan. Much more significant in our view is the fact that Pakistan's High Commissioner was present when Gandhiji agreed to break his fast and that he, too, officially pledged his Government's best effort to carry out the object, namely, achievement of communal peace, of Gandhiji's fast in Pakistan. These certainly constitute an important augury for the future in Pakistan, too. But as in India, so must it be justified in Pakistan. Gandhiji explained in his prayer message: "The spirit of the vow is sincere friendship between Hindus, Muslims and Sikhs of the Union and a similar friendship in Pakistan. If the first is assured the second must follow, as sure as day follows night. If there is darkness in the Union, it would be folly to expect light in Pakistan. But if the night in the Union is dispelled beyond the shadow of a doubt, it cannot be otherwise in Pakistan, nor are signs wanting in that direction". The dawn has broken over Delhi and is already extending over the whole of the Union. It should now break over Pakistan, too. That is a response which Pakistan owes to Mahatma Gandhi urgently and immediately. As soon as there is light "beyond the shadow of a doubt", in Delhi, Gandhiji has promised to go to Pakistan. He is entitled to find the night being dispelled there, too. But the work, the great work of redeeming Pakistan must begin now.

Frankly Speaking

Will The Schools Committee Explain?

The Bombay City Primary Teachers numbering about 3,500, are understood to have decided to resort to a sit-down strike from February 9 if their "arrears" of pay are not paid by the Schools Committee. It is difficult to believe that the teachers' normal monthly salaries are in arrears. Perhaps the reference is to the difference between the old and the new scales of pay. The Schools Committee will do well to issue a statement clarifying the position. That will help the public to determine its attitude towards the threatened strike. The Committee is also understood to have suddenly reduced its grants to aided primary schools to 10 per cent—not by 10 per cent. If this is true, this is practically withholding grants altogether and that will mean the sudden closing down of many aided schools. On this point, too, the Schools Committee owes a prompt explanation to the public.

Physical Training

Presiding over the 16th session of the Maharashtra Physical Education Conference at Nasik on Sunday, Mr. G. V. Mavlankar, Speaker of the Indian Dominion, expressed certain views on physical training which deserve to be seriously considered by the whole country, particularly by those concerned with education. Some may think he only uttered a platitude when he said: "Viewed from any angle whether individual, collective, political, economic, material or spiritual, a healthy and strong body was the basis of one's life, or for the maintenance of independence of society and its advancement." But it is a platitude which is not only cent per cent true but also needs to be reiterated at the present moment. No educational institution and no Government are worth much which do not realise the need for a healthy and fit body for efficient living.

Help To Military Training

Government should pay special attention to Mr. Mavlankar's remark that if the problem of physical education is planned properly it should go a long way in solving the problem of military education. The Government of India is naturally anxious to impart military education on a wide-scale as we need an efficient army and also a militia to maintain our independence. This plan must necessarily include a large number of corps of junior cadets from schools, senior cadets from colleges and officers for training drawn from teachers in schools and colleges alike. Adequate response from these institutions to the country's needs will be possible only if suitable physical training is provided in schools and colleges. It is unfortunate that many trained teachers have little or no physical training themselves. Some physical training must be compulsory for every trained teacher, apart from those who specialise in it.

Adult Education

The Central Advisory Board of Education adopted last week a number of resolutions dealing with adult education, secondary education, medium of instruction and the establishment of an All-India Council of Social Services. We shall consider here only the resolution on adult education. The Board has adopted the interim report of the Adult Education Committee, which recommends the launching of a three year programme of literacy and general education. The report says that both literacy and general education should proceed simultaneously but during the next three years greater emphasis should be laid on the latter aspect of adult education with a view to enable every Indian to take part in the new order. At the same time the report suggests that efforts should be made to raise the percentage of literacy to 50 at least. The controversy about the comparative merits of general education and literacy has gone on for some years past, and the deprecation of "mere literacy" has often retarded the progress of the literacy movement, though literacy in the case of an adult is itself a powerful means of enabling him to educate himself. On the other hand, different views about the contents of general education have retarded the progress of that education, too. The report has probably regarded it as a compromise to suggest that both literacy and general education should proceed simultaneously. We fear the decision will needlessly lengthen the period and cost of imparting literacy.

Literacy First

The Bombay Adult Education Society rightly concentrate its resources in men and money first on the imparting of literacy and thereafter attempts to enable the literates to acquire general education through special booklets and periodicals. Special libraries may also be provided for such persons. The Central Advisory Board also recommends, clubs, discussion groups, people's colleges, summer schools and other similar agencies. There is no end to such agencies. But we would emphasise the point that, to begin with, there should be concentration on the imparting of literacy as speedily as possible. Else it will not be possible to implement the Board's programme to raise the country's percentage of literacy to at least 50 in the next three years. Even this programme can be achieved only if it enlists the full co-operation, in the words of the Bombay Premier, of "literally every man and woman who is in a position to co-operate in this great endeavour."

Our Readers' Views

Lucknow Muslim Conference

Sir,—I wish to express my strong differences with the conclusions drawn by an "Observer" in an article in the 'Hindustan Times' dated January 7, regarding the recent Indian Union Muslims Conference held at Lucknow.

The 'Observer' complains that M. Hifuzur Rahman, M. Hamid Ullah Ansari and Dr. Syed Mahmood delivered objectionable and provocative speeches in the Conference. He has also quoted some portions of their speeches and deliberatley left out portions in their proper context. In short, the fact was that these nationalist Muslims who had come to attend the Conference brought with them stories of repression and atrocities committed by communal Hindus, Police and Military on them and their families. The conveners of the conference knew that they have to rally these very Muslims under the banner of National Congress. Hence in this connection, except the Communists, all others said,

Firstly that all these atrocities were committed on Muslims because they were outside Congress and, therefore, the Congress was weaker.

Secondly that the main responsibility of these tortures and mishaps lay on the Muslim League policy which was accepted by the Muslim masses blindly.

In my opinion the above two conclusions of the speakers prove that their minds were clear.

The 'Observer' states that the Conference has begun where the League has ended. Whereas the policy of Muslim League is still to maintain separate Muslim organisations on communal basis, the fact is that the Lucknow conference passed a categorical resolution to the effect that there should be no separate political organisation for Muslims.

It is also complained that not a word was spoken against Muslim League. In this respect those who know the characteristic of the President of the Conference Maulana Azad, must remember that he never uses strong words against any individual or organisation. He did not utter any word for Hindu Mahasabha or R.S.S.

But after the proceedings of the ference proper were over, another session on the night of 28th December was held. Herein men like Abdul Gani (Punjab) criticised Muslim League as vehemently as possible and also replied to some critics of Congress.

The writer has only praised the speech of Prof. Humayun Kabir. I dont know whether he had heard the speeches of M. Ahmad Said, M. Fakhruddin and one Orissa delegate (whose name I have forgotten. These speakers criticised to the pitch the attitude of Muslim communalists in the same way Maulana Habibul Rahman Ludhianvi (who has been turned out by Hindus from Ludhiana) advised Muslims to help Hindu and Sikh refugees and thereby wash the evil and blot of bloodshed committed in the name of Islam.

In this way, in my opinion the Muslim Conference of Lucknow has been very useful and the conclusions should be just the opposite of what the 'Observer' has spoken.—Yours, etc.,

RATAN LAL BANSAL,
Firozabad, Jan. 14.

Port Trust Employees

Sir,—The chairman of the Bombay Port Trust has appealed to the Employees' Union to resume duty, as he is determined to bring a uniform system of work in leave, pay, and other questions affecting labour. They have not resumed their work so far.

In this connection, I would like to draw the attention of the chairman to the fact that even among the clerks uniformity has not been brought about. There are many clerks who are compelled to work on Sundays and holidays, and also are required to attend offices at 8 a.m. The rest of the clerks, as usual attend at 10-30 a.m. The former are not given any allowances nor any overtime for working 2-1/2 hours extra every day. The Pay Commission has also recommended 38-1/2 hours duty in a week. Under these circumstances, the Chairman should himself move and ask the Engineering Department as to why no action is being taken to bring the Pay Commission report into force. Then only the contention that the chairman is doing justice to all, will hold good.—Yours, etc.

N. D. R.

INDIAN AIRCRAFT HELD UP IN PAKISTAN

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (API).—The Pakistan Government has not yet released the Indian Aircraft which they have been holding up at Karachi.

The Pakistan Premier, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, it is learnt, had promised to release them without delay a week ago.

The aircraft number over ninety, including fifty-five Tempests, Thirty-two Spitfires, three Austers and some aero engines.

'DRONES' REGISTER FOR WORK

LONDON, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—The second stage in the registration of men and women throughout Britain who may be directed to essential industries to speed economic recovery, began today with signing up of "drones"—all persons not gainfully employed who were born between 1923 and 1929.

Men and women living on unearned incomes and others who were doing only part-time work were among those registering at labour offices throughout the country. Last week street traders had to register.

Offensive On Indian Army Positions Fails

Night Attack By Raiders Southwest Of Akhnoor: Mortars And Machine-guns Used In Battle

JAMMU, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): In a military planned offensive, armed horsemen supported by other raiders on foot, carrying light machine-guns and mortars, attacked Indian Army positions last night in Chand, southwest of Akhnoor. Indian Army troops successfully repulsed the attack. Thirty raiders were killed. Some wounded horses were also left by the raiders.

Raiders started their attacks from north-west and west of Indian Army positions with machine gun fire on our forward positions, using two-inch mortars.

The situation in other sectors is as follows:

URI: Inspite of bad weather and snowfall our troops continued offensive patrolling in this area. More new concentrations of raiders was reported north of Jhelum.

POONCH: Royal Indian Air Force carried out sorties and dropped supplies and other ammunitions there offensive patrolling continued in this area.

ARTILLERY SILENCED

NAOSHERA: Raiders continued shelling our forward positions. Our artillery engaged and silenced the raiders. Enemy movements continued in this area during the night.

KOT: In this area our patrols were fired by the raiders who were strongly entrenched. Our troops returned fire and silenced the raiders.

DEFENCE MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19. (A. P. I.): A Defence Ministry 'communique' on Kashmir tonight said: "The raiders who attacked one of our bases east of Bhimbar and four miles from the Pakistan border, were put to flight after our troops had killed ten and wounded 15 of them. The raiders used mortars, machine-guns and very lights in this night attack.

"Our patrols beyond Naushahra encountered heavy fire from well-dug positions. One of our pickets was shelled by the raiders' artillery which was silenced by our guns, Royal Indian Air Force Aircraft bombed raiders' supply bases at two places".

BAKSHI ADDRESSES KASHMIR WORKERS

JAMMU, Jan. 19. (A.P.I.): "This land is ours. Its protection is our first duty. We shall have to face many difficulties and only then shall we reach our goal", declared Mr. Ghulam Mohammed Bakshi, acting Head of the Emergency Administration of Jammu and Kashmir State, addressing prominent workers of the National Conference and State Officials in Jammu yesterday.

Referring to the programme of the 'New Kashmir', which the National Conference wanted to implement, Mr. Bakshi observed: "We never dreamt of the difficulties facing us now. We have done no harm to anybody, but we were attacked and losses were inflicted on us.

"Our cause is righteous. We are on the path of truth. Our boat is caught in a whirlpool, and all of us should together carry it to the shore".

EVERY MAN TO HIS DUTY

Calling upon the people to face the situation the tact and courage and overcome the difficulties quickly, Mr. Bakshi said: "Normal administration cannot function in the present abnormal conditions. The proper discharge of the responsibility falling on us all at present, requires larger and efficient work. You can be comfortable only when there is peace in the country. I have no doubt in my mind that we will go on tackling every issue unitedly as we have been doing so long. Everyone of us should do his bit conscientiously and I feel sure that we shall fast march ahead of the present situation."

INCREASE IN GENERAL TAX

Jamnadas Mehta Says It Is An Iniquitous Levy

A strong attack against the proposed enhancement of the General Tax as well as the revision of the Town Duty to be levied by the Bombay Municipality was launched by Mr. Jamnadas Mehta at a meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation.

Speaking with his usual vehemence Mr. Mehta stated that the Government should pay the Corporation Rs. 45 lakhs more by way of its contribution towards the expenditure incurred on primary education and also Rs. 50 lakhs out of sources of local revenue which the Government was "misappropriating" during the last several years.

He said that while the cost of living had gone up by 400 per cent and taxes had gone up by 225 per cent the wages of Municipal employees had only been raised by 100 per cent.

Taxation in the city was Rs. 25 per head, but the Municipal services in the matter of conservancy, water supply and public health had deteriorated.

He said that the management of the finances of the city during the last few years had been discreditable. A series of deficit budgets had been presented and these had been made the basis for ever increasing taxation. But a scrutiny of the budget revealed that there had actually been a surplus of a crore of rupees. This was not sound budgetting but sheer gambling.

He vehemently denounced the increase in the General tax and quoted authorities to show that it was an iniquitous levy. In any case he urged that the proposed increase should be held in reserve, so as to provide a margin against adverse times or sudden calamities.

The increase in the town duty, he felt was an unjustifiable tax on people's food. He advocated that the burden of taxation should be shifted to soldiers better able to stand the burden. He suggested the increase of the wheel tax on motor cars, which were after all a luxury. There were 16,000 cars in the city and these could even pay twice what they were now paying.

He repeatedly condemned the financial system of the last few years, whereby the Government took away large sources of income and thus paralysed civic activities.

COLLECTIVE FINES IMPOSED IN ALLAHABAD

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 19 (A.P.I.)—A collective fine amounting to Rs. 2,10,000 has been imposed on Sikhs residing within the municipal and cantonment limits.

The District Magistrate says the Sikhs of Allahabad have been concerned in the Commission of offences during Saturday's disturbance.

A fine of Rs. 5,000 has also been imposed on non-Muslim residents of certain mohallas in this connection.

INCREASING PANIC IN SIND

Urgent Calls For Evacuation Received By India's High Commissioner

KARACHI, Jan. 19 (A. P. I.)—The Indian High Commissioner in Pakistan, Mr. Sri Prakash, in an interview to "Associated Press of India" today, reviewing the situation in Karachi, said the panic in the city was abating, but it seemed to be increasing in the interior of the province" from where we are receiving messages asking us to make arrangements for the evacuation and transport of Hindus. We are keeping in touch with the Government here in regard to facilities for bringing them to Karachi for evacuation.

"We have chartered the entire deck passage of the Bombay Steam Navigation Company for Kathiawar ports and of the British India Steam Navigation Company for Bombay.

"We have so far cleared 25,000 persons and expect to clear another 15,000 within the next few days. There are eight transit camps in Karachi where 8,000 persons are awaiting passage."

Evacuees Detained

KARACHI, Jan. 19 (A.P.I.)—The District Authorities in some of the districts in Upper Sind are reported to have passed orders directing that no Hindu evacuee should leave the station without permits issued by the Government officer appointed for the purpose. As a result of this several Hindu passengers travelling from Upper Sind are reported to have been detrained at Nawabshah railway station yesterday.

It is explained that the Sind Government propose to clear all the eight transit camps in Karachi before admitting more evacuees from the interior of the province.

100 Cottages Gutted In Karachi Fire

KARACHI, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): Damage estimated at several thousands of rupees was caused by a fire which gutted about a hundred cottages in Usmanabad in Lyari quarter here early today.

About 300 persons have been rendered homeless. All municipal fire engines, assisted by the Karachi Port Trust fire fighting services fought the flames which were brought under control after an hour. The cause of the fire is not known.

5 INJURED IN CHASE OF ARMED GANG

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19 (A.P.I.)—Four persons were injured while chasing a gang of armed dacoits in Entally area this morning.

It is stated that armed with revolvers the miscreants looted a grocer's shop, and when chased by the people of the locality, retreated firing several shots at them. The injured persons were removed to hospital.

SIX KILLED IN COLUMBIA RIOTS

BOGOTA, Jan. 18, (Reuter): After six persons had been killed and about 50 wounded in political disturbances, the Colombian Government today declared a STATE OF SEIGE in the Department of Santander Norte, near the Venezuelan border.

NEHRU PLEADS FOR GREATER PRODUCTION

Labour Urged To Observe Three-year Truce

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19. (A.P.I.): The Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, in a broadcast on the production crisis, urged the nation to give full effect to the three-year industrial truce recommended by the industries conference, and said, "Let us get on with hard work. This production is not for just enriching individuals but it is to enrich the nation"

Pandit Nehru said: "Production means wealth. If we do not produce we don't have enough wealth. Distribution is equally important so that wealth cannot accumulate in the hands of a few, but nevertheless before we think of distribution, there must be production.

INDIA'S MANIFOLD PROBLEMS

"We have many problems to face today—economic problems apart from others. There is the question of control and inflation and so many other things. There is the scarcity of goods. The change over from war-time economy to peacetime economy has been very slow. And indeed, instead of progress, there has often been a going back. This is a most urgent and serious matter for us to consider because if this kind of things goes on, there is a kind of creeping paralysis on our economy and the whole of India and the whole of the nation suffers

Today in addition, we have to face tremendous problems of vast migration and large, colossal numbers of refugees. They are not producing. East Punjab is not producing much, and all these people become unfortunately a burden on the country. Not that they want to be a burden, not they are not capable of producing but circumstances have forced them into this unhappy position. So we have to think of production as an urgent problem even more than what we would have otherwise done.

"We want a stream of wealth pouring out from our fields, factories and workshops and reaching our country's millions, so that ultimately we might be able to see our dreams fulfilled.

NEED FOR VIGILANCE

"People talk loosely of conflict with other countries. I hope there will be no such conflict. Nevertheless, a new country, a new State which has recently achieved its independence, must take full care of guarding that independence, that freedom. It has been said rightly that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. How are we to do this? How are we to put into effect the schemes of reforms, or constructive schemes or development schemes, etc., unless we have the wealth to put into them?"

We cannot live on borrowed money for long and even if we borrow money we must have the credit for it. We must be strong enough to invest it in proper channels. All these require production, production in the immediate present to fulfil our immediate needs, so that we may have something to lay by for these productive schemes of development. It was for this reason that a short while ago at a conference held in Delhi, we decided—we means, the representatives of Government, of Labour, of Industry and of the Owners—all of us there decided almost unanimously that we should have a three year truce, that there should be no strikes or lockouts.

We must decide to give full effect to this three-year truce which we have decided upon. So let us get on with work, hard work. Let us produce but what we are producing is not for some individual pocket but for the nation, to raise the standard of the people and the common man and if we do that then we shall see India progressing rapidly and many of the problems that face us today will find a solution.

GUERILLA FORCES BEATEN BACK

ATHENS, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—Greek Army troops using armoured cars were reported today to be sweeping guerilla forces back north of Platano after the Guerilla attack last week on Arakhova, 20 miles north of Lepanto on the gulf of Corinth.

The Greek regular troops were today clearing up the area where, reports from Patras said, the guerillas had lost 300 killed and 100 wounded.

U.S. TO RELEASE GOLD TO GREECE

ATHENS, Jan. 19 (UPA).—Dwight Griswold chief of the American Aid Mission, announced today that dol. 10,800,000 worth of gold held in the United States would be released to Greece in an effort to curb inflation.

Meanwhile, the press reported that Greek troops and gendarmes clashed with guerilla bands in widely separated areas.

DELHI CAMPAIGN FOR PROHIBITION

No Alcoholic Drinks At Official Functions

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (API).—The Government of India have asked all their employees to refrain from serving alcoholic drinks at official or semi-official parties given by them in view of the general policy of prohibition.

The use of alcoholic drinks would be permissible only at social functions of a private nature, though it is hoped that on these occasions also such drinks would be avoided or at least reduced to the minimum.

PROHIBITION IN EAST PUNJAB

JULLUNDUR, Jan. 19 (API).—Mr. Prithvisingh Azad, Excise Minister, East Punjab said here today that the Government would shortly prohibit students from drinking liquor. Any student found drinking would be rusticated. Prohibition, he added, would eventually be introduced in all districts of the East Punjab, but to begin with, it would be introduced either at Rohtak or Gurgaon.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.

New York insurance underwriters are now rating civil strife in Palestine as "war," according to the New York "Journal of Commerce" today.

War risks insurance rates, nearly double those in effect during the past months, have been applied to cargoes going to Palestine, the Journal announced.

—Reuter

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Security Council report: Sir Md. Zafrullah Khan had spoken today without interruption for two hours twenty-five minutes, making a total of his defence of five hours twenty-five minutes.

This is what makes the junior colleague assert that self-protection was also a reason for the Security Council's decision to pass the issue on to private discussion—lest it be treated to more dozes of five hours twenty-five minutes speeches by Sir Md. Fafrullah.

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Mr. Z. H. Lari, leader of the U.P. Muslim League Legislative Party, has issued a statement saying: "Gandhiji embodies all that is noble and divine in Asia."

Thanks, Mr. Lari. In fact, Gandhiji always has; but thanks all the same.

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"His (Gandhiji's) appraisal of the communal situation in India is," Mr. Lari adds, "entirely correct".

So also is his appraisal of the communal situation in Pakistan, which, we are glad, Mr. Lari concedes.

Yes, Gandhiji's appraisal of the communal situation in India is "entirely correct" So what about his appraisal of Muslim League situation in India and his suggestion to the Leaguers?

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The organ of the U. S. Communist Party, the "Daily Worker" has declared that the Party will support Mr. Henry Wallace in the Presidential Election.

Thus making the assurance of the result doubly sure for Mr Wallace.

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Addressing a meeting at Chicago, Mr. Henry Wallace said that the Truman doctrine on foreign affairs and the "misnamed European recovery programme"—the Marshall Plan—were "war policies controlled by big business in the interests of big business."

Quite right. Except, of course, in so far as they do and may involve U.S. interest in Palestine.

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According to a Lake Success report, Dr. Moshe Shertok, head of the Jewish Political Department, urged the United Nations Palestine Commission to set up an international militia in Palestine.

But that would mean 50 per cent Soviet participation!

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Dr. Shertok also warned that unless Britain opened a port of immigration soon, pressure might cause a flood of refugee arrivals.

What, is it intended that the return of Jewish Nationals from all over the world to their Homeland should continue to be restricted?

CAIRO STUDENTS CLASH WITH POLICE

Demonstrations Against Joint Anglo-Egyptian Rule Over Sudan

CAIRO, Jan. 19. (Reuter): Egyptian students and police clashed in Cairo today when students in both Cairo and Alexandria stopped work and demonstrated against joint Anglo-Egyptian rule over the Sudan—one of the points on which treaty revision talks between Britain and Egypt broke down last year.

The clashes occurred when students of the Fuad Awal University tried to break through a strong police cordon and march through the town demanding abolition of the joint rule.

The entire university district in Cairo has been under a virtual police siege for several weeks.

Police in Cairo and Alexandria cordoned off universities and secondary schools in both cities when the students struck work to mark the 49th anniversary of the signing in 1899 of the Sudan Condominium Convention.

Under the 1899 Condominium Agreement between Britain and Egypt and article 11 of the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty of 1936, the Sudan is administered by a Governor-General on the joint behalf of Britain and Egypt.

The Egyptian Prime Minister, Mahmoud Nokrashy Pasha, told the Egyptian Senate earlier this month that the Government's policy to Britain was based on the "unconditional evacuation of British troops from Egypt and the Sudan".

He added: "There can be no life for Egypt without the Sudan and no life for the Sudan without Egypt"

MARATHI JOURNALISTS CONFERENCE

MIRAJ, Jan. 19 (UPI).—The 8th session of the Marathi Journalists' Conference will be held at Satara on January 31 and February 1, under the presidency of Mr. N. R. Bamangamkar of Amroati. Mr. Shankerrao Kirloskar will inaugurate the exhibition of the newspapers and Mr. R. G. Soman, President of the Bombay Legislative Council, will inaugurate the Conference.

"INDEPENDENCE & UNITY" FOR VIETNAM WITHIN FR. UNION

Four-Point Proposal For Peace In Indo-China Submitted To Ex-Emperor

PARIS, Jan. 19. (Reuter): A four-point proposal for peace in Indo-China was submitted by the French High Commissioner M. Emile Bollaert, to ex-Emperor Bao Dai in Geneva early this month, Dang Chan Lieu, an official Vietnam spokesman in Paris, told "Reuter" today. The proposal was:

(1) Independence and unity for Vietnam within the French Union.

(2) Vietnamese police and infantry to be fully Vietnam. But all other armies (navy, airforce etc), be officered by Frenchmen.

(3) The Vietnamese Government to appoint consuls themselves, but Government ministers and Ambassadors to be approved by the French Government.

(4) France will require that a democratic regime be set up in Vietnam.

"INDEPENDENCE & UNITY"

Referring to the first point, the Vietnam spokesman said:

"It all depends on what implications will be involved by the words 'Independence and Unity' and to what extent the French Union will limit national sovereignty and independence in the conduct of Vietnamese foreign affairs".

The second proposal restricting Vietnam leadership in armed forces, "was retrogressive to the treaty of March 6, 1946", the spokesman declared. This treaty recognised Vietnam as a free state with its own Parliament, Treasury and Army. Diplomacy and unity were to be discussed at a later date. Subsequent conferences broke down, and fighting finally broke out between the Vietnamese and France on December 19, 1946.

Stressing that Vietnam would like to be "freely associated" with the French Union, the spokesman said: "Vietnam wants the same diplomatic status as a British Dominion within the British Commonwealth."

NATIONAL VIETNAM ARMY

Regarding the National Vietnam army, in his outline of French policy at Hadong in September last, M. Bollaert had gone no further than admit Vietnam police forces. A national army would give genuine satisfaction to Vietnam feeling.

What measure of control the French would have over such an army, especially in war, would of course have to be worked out in detail and snags might well arise.

Well-informed observers nevertheless felt the chances were good that agreement could be reached on this point.

The latest French military 'communique' today claimed "at least 100 rebels" were killed and their headquarters destroyed in recent mopping up operations north of Dong Nai, French Indo-China.

A considerable quantity of war material, including automatic rifles, hand grenades and cartridges, was captured, the "communique" added.

R. A. F. PLANE SHOT AT

Incident On Palestine-Egyptian Frontier

CAIRO, Jan. 19 (Reuter)—Reliable circles in Cairo today confirmed a report that an Egyptian Air Force plane fired on an R. A. F. aircraft over El Arish, on the Palestine-Egyptian frontier a few days ago.

The report, which first appeared in the Arabic newspaper 'Al Misri', added that Mr. E. A. Chapman-Andrews, British Minister in Cairo, had lodged a protest with the Egyptian Government regarding the incident.

The 'Al Misri' report said the British plane landed at Fayid, Headquarters of the British Middle East Forces, with thirty bullet holes.

A report by the Egyptian Air Force authorities to Nokrashy Pasha, the Egyptian Premier, stated, according to 'Al Misri' that the Egyptian pilot saw a "foreign" plane flying over Egyptian army barracks in the El Arish area.

The Egyptian pilot fired a warning burst with his machinegun in front of the British plane, which then made off. The Egyptian airman pursued it and again opened fire.

BRITISH PROTEST

LONDON, Jan. 19. (Reuter): A British Foreign Office spokesman said today that Britain had protested to Egypt at the action of Egyptian "Spitfires" in firing upon two Royal Air Force planes flying over the Sinai Peninsula on their way from Palestine to Egypt.

The spokesman said that shooting by the Egyptian Air Force had gone on for a considerable time and a wing of one of the R.A.F. planes had been holed.

The Egyptians claim that the British aircraft were flying over forbidden area.

The British view is that though the planes may have deviated from their course, probably through bad weather, most of the firing took place when they were within a permitted zone.

TRUMAN ACCUSED OF INSINCERITY TO JEWS

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (UPA).—The Political Action Committee for Palestine took full page advertisements in key newspapers throughout the nation today to solicit popular support of the plea to President Truman to permit shipments of arms to Palestine and to intervene on behalf of the Jews.

The Committee said that the advertisements were appearing in newspapers in New York, Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Detroit and Philadelphia.

The Committee accused Truman of insincerity in his promises made to the Jews, declaring that none of them had been kept.

CASUALTIES IN "PUNITIVE EXPEDITION"

JERUSALEM, Jan. 18 (UPA).—Fifteen persons were killed and at least 33 wounded in battles between Arabs and two Jewish Haganah "punitive expeditions", official sources said today.

One Jew ambushed was Moshley Perlstein of Brooklyn, New York, the first Jewish American killed in the partition fighting. He was attending the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

ATTACK ON ALL-ARAB VILLAGE

JERUSALEM, Jan. 19 (UPA).—Two Arabs were killed and six injured when a large group of Jews attacked the all-Arab village of Tamra, north of Haifa, early today.

The attackers fired for 30 minutes with bren guns and rifles. One of the raiders was believed to have been wounded.

Azad Indisposed

NEW DELHI, Jan. (API): Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Education Minister, Government of India is slightly indisposed and has been advised to take complete rest today. According to Dr. B. C. Roy his indisposition is due to overwork.

Nationalise Imperial And Reserve Banks

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (A.P.I.)—Mr. Mohanlal Saxena's resolution asking for nationalisation of the Reserve Bank of India and the Imperial Bank of India has drawn the first place in the ballot of resolutions which will come up before the Constituent Assembly (Legislative) on February 4.

Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari's resolution asking for State-ownership of insurance has drawn second place.

Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, who secured third place, will move a resolution either on State-ownership of Insurance or on the appointment of a permanent famine commission.

Mr. Basanta Kumar Das, who has drawn fourth place, wants a census to be taken as early as possible with a view to utilising its results for the purpose of elections to be held under the new constitution that will be framed by the Constituent Assembly and having reliable statistics for nation-building work and ither purposes.

Mr. R. K. Sidhwa's resolution, stating that the passenger buses in Delhi and New Delhi being inadequate, government should run their own transport service in the city, has drawn fifth place

Kashmir Round-Table Talks Deadlock

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plebiscite throughout the territory.

Pakistan Delegation spokesmen emphasized that they are anxious to place the entire problem in the hands of the United Nations and have full confidence in its decisions.

INDIA'S VIEW

Opposing view held by the Indian Delegation is that the proposed Commission should be confined to the following field of action:

Firstly, to stop the fighting and ensure that both sides maintain peace.

Secondly, to act as observers during the holding of a plebiscite by the present Kashmir Administration.

An Indian Delegation spokesman told Reuter: "We feel it should be clearly specified what terms of reference the Commission shall have and unless this is done before hand, a speedy decision is impossible".

The Indian Delegation feels strongly that the Commission should deal only with the fighting in Kashmir which in their view is the only "danger to international peace".

They feel that the questions of a plebiscite and communal strife between Muslims and Hindus do not come under the heading of a threat to international peace and therefore should be of no concern to the proposed Commission.

IMPARTIAL PLEBISCITE

Pakistan in turn contends that it is entirely impossible to expect the present Administration of Sheikh Abdullah to hold an impartial plebiscite in view of its declared partiality for ndia.

The Indian Delegation discussed the issue thoroughly for over an hour before going to the Round Table Conference.

In view of their strong feeling that the proposed Commission should have no Administrative powers and Pakistan's equally strong objection to any plebiscite not under full United Nation's control, informed observers feel somewhat pessimistic about progress today.

Failure to reach a private agreement is expected to lead to prolonged debate in the Security Council and possibly endanger the success of on-the-spot settlement by the United Nations.

ATHENS, Jan. 19, (Reuter): The United States has assented to the "unfreezing" of Greek gold lodged with the Federal Reserve Bank, Mr. Dwight Griswold, Head of the United States Aid-Greece Mission, told the Greek Government today.

STEP NEARER SETTLEMENT

Dutch And Indonesians Accept Six New Principles As Basis Of Agreement

BATAVIA, Jan. 19, (Reuter): The Indonesian problem came a step nearer settlement today when Dutch and Indonesian Republicans accepted six principles to form a basis for a political settlement of their dispute which has lasted two years and five months.

The six principles, which were put before them by the Security Council's "Good Offices" Committee, were in addition to the twelve principles accepted last Saturday when the Truce Agreement was signed aboard the United States navy transpost "Renville" in Batavia Harbour.

The parties agreed to work out informally in Committee an organisation for their future work with the "Good Offices" Committee to reach political agreement.

SIX NEW TERMS

The six principles accepted Netherlands' sovereignty in the Dutch East Indies until a United States of Indonesia is formed with the Republic as a State.

Tey also provided for fair representation in any Provisional Federal Government that may be formed; the continued use of the "Good Offices" Committee if requested after the political settlement; plebiscites in Java, Sumatra, and Madura to determine whether the people want to form part of the Republic or join another State; and a convention to draft the United States Constitution and stipulate whether any part of the Archipelago may negotiate a separate relationship with the United States and the Netherlands.

Neither Dutch nor Republican sources were able to report on the effectiveness of the preliminary "cease fire" order issued last Saturday.

A plenary session of the Republican Muslim National Party, P.N.I., has rejected the Truce Agreement, the Netherlands News Agency reported today.

Poliomyelitis Virus Isolated

Claim Of Minnesota University Professor

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 18, (Reuter): Dr. Frank Gollan, Assistant Professor of Physiology at the University of Minnesota, announced here that he has isolated an almost 100 per cent pure Poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis) virus for the first time.

Dr. Gollan only isolated an "M" strain—which affects small animals but the purification method he used was reported to be applicable to all strains including those dangerous to humans.

Research is being planned at the University to isolate viruses of Human strains and to make vaccines.

Dr. Gollan stated "I believe the production of potent vaccine is now more of a technical problem than a scientific one."

U.N. MEDIATION COMMISSION FOR KASHMIR

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 19, (Reuter): Latest indications on the India-Pakistan issue are that the area of disagreement on proposals to send a United Nation Three-Man Commission to Kashmir are not as wide as had earlier been believed. It now appears the Security Council will be able to deal with the appointment of the proposed Mediation Commission.

News In Brief

LONDON, Jan. 19, (Reuter): The Countess of Limerick Deputy Chairman of the British Red Cross Society, left here by air today for an extensive tour of Red Cross units in the Middle East and the Far East.

LONDON, Jan. 19, (Reuter): Mr. Winston Churchill arrived in London today from Bordeaux, where he had stayed overnight, breaking his flight home from Marrakesh, Morocco, his holiday centre since December 12.

LONDON, Jan. 20, (Reuter): The British Communist Party today protested against military measures taken by kestern Imperialism against the Greek people to bolster up the tottering monarchist fascist dictatorship."

RANGOON, Jan. 19, (Reuter): There is no likelihood of the immediate nationalisation of any foreign—owned commercial concern operating in Burma, it was learned in authoritative quarters today. A high Burmese Government officials said that according to the Government's policy nationalisation would be carried out by gradual stages

MHOW, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): It will take a week to restore through communication between Khandwa and Ajmer, which was interrupted by the derailment of a goods train about midnight on Saturday between Kalakund and Patalpani, about seven miles from Mhow, according to the Traffic Superintendent, B B and C I Railway. Till the through communication is restored, passenger trains will run between Ajmer and Mhow and a shuttle between Kalakund and Khandwa.

RANGOON, Jan. 19, (Reuter): Chieftains of the Shanshan tribes of Burma's frontier areas today expressed dissatisfaction over the appointment of U Tin Myint, Anti-Fascist Peoples League nominee, as Minister for Shan affairs in the Burmese Cabinet. The Council of Shan affairs, representing all eleven Shan Sawbwas (chieftains) of the frontier region, passed a vote of "no confidence" in the Minister and urged his replacement by a Chieftain. Hitherto the Shan representative in the Burmese Cabinet has always been a Sawbwa.

Photo shows (from Right to Left) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Dr. S. P. Mukerjee and Mr. C. H. Bhabha at the meeting of the Industries Committee of the Textile Control Board held in Bombay on Sunday

CLOTH CONTROL GOES: COTTON TRADE FREED

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existing measures to prevent hoarding will continue.

To increase production to the maximum and to facilitate for this purpose the exchange of views and discussion of production problems between management and labour, the setting up of Production Committees at all mills will be promoted. Detailed proposals regarding these committees are under the consideration of the Government.

FIXATION OF PRICES

Government are anxious that there should not be any abnormal rise in prices immediately following this measure of decontrol. They have received the assurance of the Industry that they will fix reasonable prices taking into consideration the current prices of cotton, The Government welcome this assurance and will now leave the fixation of prices to the Industry.

They will also take serious notice of any mill exceeding the price level fixed by the Industry. The enquiry now being undertaken by the Tariff Board will continue to enable the Government and the public to satisfy themselves that the consumer does not pay a larger price than is justified.

The Equalisation Fund is being closed, and surcharges on yarn and cloth will no longer be collected. The Industry has agreed that subsidies will no longer be necessary on any yarn or cloth and these will therefore not be paid by Government as contemplated in the Standardisation Scheme which is no longer being enforced by Statute.

DISTRIBUTION

As regards distribution, it is the intention of Government to restore normal trade channels to facilitate movement of cloth to the largest extent possible. Provincial and State Governments, will, however, be free to set up or continue their own procurement agencies. The system of quota holders will be abolished. To relieve local shortages every mill in surplus producing areas will be required to reserve 25% of its production at the disposal of the Textile Commissioner for a period of one month. Mills will be encouraged to set up fair price shops in deficit areas and have promised their co-operation. Movements of textiles within a Province will be free and will be sanctioned by the Textile Commissioner from one Province to another except where such transport is uneconomic or unreasonable.

It would be difficult and undesirable to have the same type or variety of cloth selling at two different prices in the market. The Government have considered the question of the difference between new and old prices on stocks now held by mills, quota-holders and the Bengal Textile Association. This increase could not in fairness be allowed to be appropriated by the holders. It has therefore been decided that this difference should be collected from the mills for the benefit of the public revenues on the basis of stocks held by them on the 31st December 1947 or the 20th January 1948 whichever is greater, and from stockholders on the stocks held by them on the latter date.

The present system of distribution of yarn has worked reasonably well and will be continued for the present in the interests of the handloom weavers. Mills will however be given permission to distribute as they wish such quantities of yarn as are not lifted within a reasonable period of allocation.

SUPPLY POSITION

In view of the unsatisfactory supply position of raw cotton Government have decided that all staples which could be spun by Indian mills should be reserved for their use. The existing ban on export of cotton of 13/16" staple and above will therefore be extended. With immediate effect exports will be restricted to the following types and varieties: Bengal Deshi; Oomra Deshi (excluding CP I and II); Mathia; Assams; and Commillas.

DOUBLING OF EXPORT DUTY

In pursuance of Government's general policy of decontrol, however, the statutory floors and ceilings of cotton prices will be abolished with immediate effect. To stabilise cotton prices the present export duty will be doubled. In view of the prevailing scarcity of cotton, Government do not anticipate that cotton prices will fall below the floor levels hitherto prescribed.

Should however such a contingency arise, they will take such steps as are necessary to protect the interests of the cotton growers. The existing control over the export of cloth and over the distribution of machinery, imported mill stores, dyes, chemicals, sizing materials, etc., will continue. Control over the prices and distribution of imported cloth and yarn will however be discontinued immediately.

RETENTION OF CONTROL MACHINERY

The Government have every hope that their present policy will meet the popular demand for a relaxation of the textile control and are confident of receiving the co-operation of the Industry, labour, the trade and the general consumer in the production of cloth and its equitable distribution at reasonable prices. They are, however, as is their general policy, prepared to consider the reimposition of the control, should circumstances render this necessary, and for this purpose are retaining the existing machinery of control to the extent necessary.

AN ADMINISTRATOR LAMENTS

Effective Use Of Gandhian Methods Difficult, Says Sardar Patel

BOMBAY, Monday.

Laying the foundation stone of the Marwari Hindu Hospital at Marine Lines this evening Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Deputy Prime Minister of India, made a candid confession of his slightly altered relation with Mahatma Gandhi.

There was a time, said the Sardar, when he was proud to be called the "yes man" of Gandhiji. They were almost like two different bodies with one soul. Times and circumstances has changed now, and though he still held the Mahatma in high esteem, he feared he could not see eye to eye with him in regard to several intricate problems facing the country. Situated as he was in a highly responsible administrative capacity, it pained him to admit that he found it to be extremely difficult to make any effective use of Gandhian methods in solving those problems.

The proposed hospital is the work of the Marwari Medical Society, and will have 250 beds. In addition to the Surgical and Medical Departments, special provision has been made for X-Ray service and for the treatment of complaints relating to the ear, nose, eye and teeth, and a maternity home to be named after Mrs. Seksaria. Later, it is proposed, a sanatorium and a Medical College will be attached to the hospital, provided the funds permit

The Sardar, in the course of his brief remarks, expressed his great satisfaction that treatment in the new hospital was not going to be restricted to the Marwaris alone and that it was open for all Hindus.

The Sardar hoped that the Indian hospitals would reach a high level of development in the near future so as to offer treatment for any disease in the world. At present hundreds of Indian patients were going to foreign countries for medical treatment. It was highly desirable if this exodus to foreign countries was stopped and necessary treatment found at home.

The Sardar was least worried about the financial side of the hospital. The Marwaris were a rich community, and he was confident that they would not lag behind in supporting a purely humanitarian cause.

BAN ON COTTON EXPORTS

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): The Government of India have decided to prohibit, with immediate effect, the export outside the Indian Union to all territories, including Pakistan, of all raw cotton except the following specified varieties, namely, Bengal Deshi, Oomra Deshi (excluding C.P. 1 and 2), Mathia, Assam and Commillas.

A Press "communique" says: "The Government of India announced in a Press "communique" dated November 30, 1947, that the export of long staple raw cotton (13 x 16" and above) would be prohibited. In view of the practical difficulties involved in administering this restriction and of the imperative need for the conservation of suitable types of raw cotton for use in the mills, it has been decided to prohibit, with immediate effect, the export outside the Indian Union to all territories, including Pakistan, of all raw cotton except the following specified varieties, namely, Bengal Deshi, Oomra Deshi (excluding C.P. 1 and 2), Mathia, Assams and Commillas.

To avoid hardship, however, to such exporters as may have effected confirmed sales of varieties of short and medium staple cottons, other than those specified above, prior to the announcement of this prohibition, the Government has decided that consignments covered by sales effected prior to this date will be allowed to be exported, provided documentary evidence is produced to the export trade control authorities at the port of export within three days of this announcement. Therefore, exporters concerned are advised to contact the Export Trade Control authorities at the port concerned with such evidence immediately. Claims received after three days of this announcement will not be considered.

INSTRUCTIONS TO COTTON MILLS IN BENGAL

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): The Textile Commissioner of the Government of India, has, it is learnt, issued instructions to all cotton mills in Bengal not to deliver cloth or yarn to their quota holders or others authorised to receive them until further notice.

This is considered by local millowners as an order freezing all cloth and yarn in the hands of the mills for the time being.

"Best Reply To Atomic Bombs"

French Press On Potency Of Gandhiji's 'Secret Weapon'

PARIS, Jan. 19 (Reuter)—Mahatma Gandhi's "secret weapon" will perhaps be the best reply to Atomic bombs—"that spiritual violence which was taught so long ago by the Gospels and the men of the Gospels"—the French newspaper "Le Monde" wrote in an editorial today.

"Mahatma Gandhi's voice carries far beyond the frontiers of India. If, in our turbulent western world, it is still far from dominating the voice of violence, it is none the less among those voices to which we must listen and which will carry far beyond our times" "Le Monde" declared.

"Is not this a voice to which men will be forced to listen one day soon, in the Atomic age?"

"Le Monde" said the Mahatma had gained "one of the finest victories of his life" in obtaining by his fast a peace pledge between Hindus and Muslims in Delhi.

The paper said the occasions were much too rare when its editorial could escape from the often sordid considerations of politics and "still rarer those of seeing that in the disorder and confusion of our times, the spirit has its victories and violence its defeat."

"Through Mahatma Gandhi, the East teaches us again that there exists another sort of revolution than the revolutions of hate."

And the Good Gandhi, product of a country which is still wise enough to give itself sages for heroes—not warriors and politicians—shows himself once again to be the greatest rebel of our time", "Le Monde" added.

WEST PUNJAB AND BHOPAL TELEGRAMS

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (A.P.I.)—In his post-prayer message, today Mahatma Gandhi warned Hindus and Sikhs that any kind of boycott of Muslims by them would hamper the progress of Free India.

Today being his day of silence, the message was read out at the meeting. Mahatma Gandhi was taken to the prayer ground in an arm-chair.

Mahatma Gandhi said that the Hindus and Sikhs should insist on Muslims staying here and offer them all possible co-operation. He referred to two telegrams sent to him by the Premier of West Punjab and the Nawab of Bhopal appreciating his sympathy for the minorities and his sincere desire for peace. The West Punjab Premier in his telegram informed Mahatma Gandhi that he was trying his best to establish communal harmony in the province.

RESTORE SANCTITY OF MOSQUES

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (A.P.I.)—The Central Peace Committee of which Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Congress President, is the Chairman has issued an appeal to the refugee occupants of mosques to vacate them and shift to places arranged for them and "thus restore the sanctity of the places."

The appeal, which has been signed by the leaders of all communities in Delhi, says: "Mahatma Gandhi is an apostle of Hindu-Sikh-Muslim unity, and in order to promote communal harmony he staked his life. It is gratifying to learn that representatives of all parties and communities gave him a solemn undertaking that every conceivable attempt will be made to enable the Muslims of Delhi to lead life normally and peacefully. To accomplish this, it is absolutely essential that the mosques which have been occupied by refugees should be immediately vacated by them. Alternative accommodation is available. We, therefore, earnestly appeal to the occupants of the mosques to shift to places arranged for them and thus restore thier sanctity. It is hoped that the people concerned will readily and spontaneously respond to this appeal and expedite the implementation of the pledge given to Gandhiji."

TWO HIGH COMMISSIONERS FRATERNIZE

LONDON, Jan. 19 (Reuter)—Reflecting the change of feeling in India and Pakistan which has followed the successful conclusion of Mahatma Gandhi's fast, the High Commissioner for India in Britain, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, today visited the High Commissioner for Pakistan, Mr. Habib Rahimtoola, at his office here to express fraternal greetings.

The two High Commissioners were together about three quarters of an hour.

"WEAKENING OF HINDU FRONT"

Mahasabha Secretary On Net Result Of Gandhiji's Fast

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (API).—Shree Ashutosh Lahiry, General Secretary, All India Hindu Mahasabha, in a statement says:

"A good deal of confusion has been created amongst the public owing to the report published in the press that amongst the persons present to request Mahatma Gandhi to break his fast, were also representatives of the Hindu Mahasabha. I made careful enquiries and found that two representatives of the local Hindu Mahasabha were present on the occasion at the pressing request of some Congress leaders but they refused to be signatories to the pledge for implementing the seven point programme chalked out by Gandhiji which was his condition precedent for breaking his fast.

The net result of the fast has been a weakening of the Hindu front and strengthening of the Government.

He says: "It is manifest that Hindu Mahasabha can never be a party to the implementation of the seven-point programme."

INDIA WILL RESIST ANY REUNION PROPOSAL

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do not want war with Pakistan and for that matter with any other country. We, at present, badly need time for rebuilding ourselves and setting our economy on surer footing."

Pandit Nehru said: "The Government had not only plans of industrialising the country and harnessing all its resources it had also the all-important task of resettling four-million people in life and giving them the place that they deserved by right. For this peace at home as well abroad was absolutely essential. Secondly, in the modern set-up of things a nation did not progress by waging war on others. "India should be so strong that it should not need to go to war with anyone," he declared.

WANTED NEW APPROACH

India, he said, had attained her freedom, but he did not find the consequential change in the behaviour and attitude of its people. They still worked as if India was not free and they were dealing with a hostile foreign power. They must realise that the situation had changed radically and demanded a new approach. "I do not mean to say that all movements must be given up. Let them continue. But the movements in a free country and with a popular Government in power must be conducted in a different style and spirit."

Freedom called for a sense of responsibility. All that they did must be in harmony with the new situation. Pandit Nehru criticised the way in which some people rushed to the press with their statements on various happenings without caring to find what effect they were liable to have on peace in the country and on its prestige outside. Exercise of restraint was necessary in the present circumstances, he said.

BE TRUE TO PLEDGE

Referring to Mahatma Gandhi's fast, the Prime Minister said: "We must keep the pledge that we have given to Gandhiji because otherwise we will go down in our estimation and damage our reputation. But at the same time we must not accept a thing simply because it is Mahatma Gandhi's wish. Our approach to things must be rational. We must be thoroughly convinced of the righteousness of our steps."

Internal disorder, he continued, would ruin the country. Driving the Muslims out of India was not only wrong in principle, but also disastrous from a practical point of view. Their freedom would prove shortlived if they were guided by such questionable principles.

Concluding Pandit Nehru said that he was opposed to the idea of driving out the Muslims and he would continue to oppose it, whether in office or not.

Earlier, Mr. Jairam Dass Daulatram, Minister for Food and Agriculture, addressing the meeting appealed to the people not to let down their representatives who had on their behalf given an assurance of perfect communal harmony to Mahatma Gandhi.

Mr. Shankerrao Deo, General Secretary of the Congress, said that their real and more difficult task had started since the time they gave that assurance to Mahatma Gandhi.

Maulana Hafiz-ur-Rahman, General Secretary of the Jamiat-ul-Ulema-i-Hind, said that the Nationalist Muslims would be prepared to sacrifice their lives in order to enable the Hindus and Sikhs to resettle in Pakistan. If the Nationalist Muslims could fight against the British for the country's freedom they could also now fight the Muslims of Pakistan for the rights of their non-Muslim brethren, he said.

Mr. Krishna Gopal Dutt, Congress leader from West Punjab, also addressed the meeting.

Monument To Mahatma In Washington?

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—Congressman Emanuel Cellar will shortly introduce a Bill in the House of Representatives requesting the United States Government to erect a monument to Mr. Gandhi in Washington, it was reliably learned today.

It was further learned that the United States Government will not be asked to defray cost of such a monument. Congressman Celler has been assured by Mr. J. J. Singh, President of the India League of America, that the Indian League will not only raise the necessary funds but will also help in passage of the bill.

Congressman Cellar introduced the India Immigration and Naturalisation Bill which was passed by Congress in 1946. He is a member of the Advisory Board of the India League.

Two-Day Protest Strike By Dockers

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 19 (Reuter)—A forty-eight-hour protest strike by dock workers today brought all work to a standstill in the port of Buenos Aires.

Workers were protesting against an alteration ordered by the Labour Secretariat in methods of handling coal cargoes.

Buenos Aires today entered its fifth milkless day as a result of the still unsettled strike of milk firm employees and deliverymen.

Portuguese India, Integral Part Of Portugal

Goa's New Political Statute's Claim

PANJIM OF GOA, 19 (IPA): On the 16th instant the Government Council of Portuguese India, which is only a consultative body, met in an extraordinary session when Indian Press Association Staff Correspondent. A copy of the proposed new Political Statute was distributed to those present. The Governor-General, Naval Commander Quintanilha Dias, presided. Besides the members of the Council the Government also had invited 42 other "citizens" of Portuguese India whom they "consider to be representative elements of the country". An emigrant from Bombay was also present. It must be stressed that these "representatives" were chosen as such by the Government and not elected by the people.

The high-lights of the proposed new Statute are that Portuguese India is an integral part of the Portuguese Nation. Portuguese India will have to contribute towards the expenses of the defence forces which Portugal may station there. It shall have also to meet all its administrative and other expenditure.

The administration will be in charge of a Governor-General and an Executive Council. The Governor-General is the authority.

There is also to be a Legislative Council elected on more or less corporative basis well balanced with official representation. The Goan emigrants in Bombay, Calcutta and Karachi will elect one member to the Legislative Council. In what are called general circles an electoral college will be formed of those "citizens" who have five years residence in Portuguese India and are major in age. No vote is provided for women.

In distributing the draft of the proposed new Statute the Governor-General made a short speech in which he said that he would say nothing specific on the draft at the present moment. Thereupon he appointed a Committee of 23 picked persons to study and give their "opinion" on the Statute. This Committee includes the Director of Civil Administration who will preside at the meetings of the Committee.

EDUCATIONAL TAX

A new Educational tax of Re. 1 on all Goan students in the colleges of Indian Universities has been imposed by the Government of Portuguese India. The Goa Treasury is almost bankrupt. The Reserve Fund has depleted to Rs. 1,694,715. The Government have not so far transformed to the Reserve Fund the sum of Rs. 3,715,123 which was [illegible] 1946. It is said that this sum [illegible] new item of Rs. 1,930,000 ma[illegible] current budget as extraordinary expenditure is reserved for [illegible] these measures apart from Rs. 1,302,41[illegible] which is shown under ordinary defense heading.

In order to meet the new expenditure of food for the Negro troops recently sent to Daman the authorities there with the help of some big landlords have launched a campaign to extract from the Warlis new and heavier taxes. In the village of Magawara Canji Hira and five others who protested against this measure have been jailed.

The recently introduced Industrial Tax, which included tax on pigs and poultry even the private houses, is being collected in Daman with a vengeance since the arrival of the Negro troops there.

We also know that the value of this moral and mighty support of the Indian Union will depend upon the moral worth and intensity of our own struggle to assert ourselves against the autocracy of the Portuguese rule in India.

ARRESTS OF LEADERS

The Portuguese Government have offered a new statute by way of a new constitution and as is wont of all autocratic powers they have accompanied this offer with fresh arrests of nationalist leaders and workers who are resisting them.

We declare once more that no Goan whether Hindu or Christian can ever accept the first basis (clause) of the proposed statute namely that the Portuguese possessions in India form an integral part of the unity of the Portuguese nation. Goa is and has ever been an integral and vital part of India geographically, ethnically, culturally and of course from the economic point of view as well. It is known that Goans have carved out honourable careers for themselves in various walks of life throughout India and the economy of Goa has always been dependent on their earnings outside Goa.

We, therefore, advise Goans all over India to reject in toto the statute offered by the Portuguese Government as long as they do not recognise the sovereignty of the people by calling a Constituent Assembly of the citizens of Goa whether living in Goa or outside Goa and so long as they have not given constitutional recognition to the fundamental rights of citizenship for the assertion of which the satyagrahis have been fighting for the past 18 months. The release of these political prisoners must be a condition precedent to any negotiations between the Portuguese Government and the leaders of public opinion. The Government must also repeal every law restricting freedom of speech and association and the freedom of constitutional agitation for the assertion of popular rights.

INTEGRAL PART OF INDIA

Goan National Leaders Reject Basis Of Proposed Statute

Sjt. S. B. D'Silva and Sjt. Vasant P. Borkar of the Delegation of the National Congress (Goa) returning from Delhi have issued the following statement to the press:

We have been assured that it is the declared policy of the Indian National Congress that its struggle for India's freedom cannot be over so long as there is a single inch of Indian soil under any foreign or autocratic native power. The struggle of Goan people to vindicate their right of self-respect and self-determination has raised them in the eyes of the Indian Nation and of the Indian National Congress and their moral support is always available for our people as long as our struggle for freedom is carried on by legitimate and peaceful means.

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"BE PATIENT WITH NIZAM'S GOVERNMENT"

Munshi's Address At Bezwada

BEZWADA, Jan. 18. (API): "I should like you to be patient with the Nizam's Government no doubt the set up there, to a large extent, is an anachronism, but you are mistaken to think that the Nizam or important men in Hyderabad live in bygone times", observed Mr. K. M. Munshi, India's Agent General in Hyderabad replying to a civic address presented to him by the Bezwada Municipal Council tonight. Prof. N. G. Ranga presided.

Mr. Munshi said the Nizam's Government knew what forces were at work in India and the world. The Nizam himself and most of his advisers had realised that the destiny of Hyderabad was bound up with the Indian Union and as such it would establish closer relations with Hyderabad. Mr. Munshi was confident that during the course of the year a permanent agreement would be reached between the two Governments.

He dispelled the fear in some quarters that the Nizam, taking advantage of the stand-still agreement would collect arms and attack the Indian Union.

Referring to the question of separate Andhra Province, Mr. Munshi congratulated the Andhras for their success in getting a separate province.

Hyderabad Border Situation

BEZWADA, Jan. 18. (API): Mr. K. M. Munshi, India's Agent General in Hyderabad, arrived here this evening from Hyderabad by car to study the situation on the Madras-Hyderabad areas.

Mr. Munshi will meet the District Collectors of Bellary, Kurnool, Guntur, Kistna, West and East Godavari tomorrow to acquaint himself with the conditions on the border.

Mr. O. P. Ramaswami Reddiar, the Madras Premier, is expected to arrive here tomorrow evening by the Grand Trunk Express to discuss with Mr. Munshi matters connected with Madras-Hyderabad border incidents.

Other officials who are already here include Mr. O. Pulla Reddy, Home Secretary, Madras Government, and Mr. Devasahayam, D. I. G. Police.

After a short stay here for three or four hours the Premier will return to Madras the same night by train.

After going through a busy programme here tomorrow Mr. Munshi will leave for the border areas on Tuesday morning.

PAINTINGS BY FRANCIS NEWTON

BOMBAY, Monday.—An exhibition of paintings by Francis Newton was opened this evening by Dr. Hermann Goetz, Curator of the Baroda Museum, at the Bombay Art Society Salon.

Commenting on the paintings, Dr. Goetz said that Mr. Newton was in his experimental stage and had made considerable progress during the last two years. The artist had broken away from the traditions and conventions of classical Indian Art and had developed a style entirely new and original. This, he said was a healthy sign because real art should depict the spirit of the age to which it belongs.

BOMBAY OLYMPICS: H. E. Sir Maharaj Singh presenting the prize to the winner of the Women's Discus Throw, B. Thadani, at the Cooperage on Sunday.

U.P. League To Withdraw From Contesting Bye-Election

Lari Decides Not To Join Muslim League In Consembly

LUCKNOW, JAN. 18. (A.P.I.): THE U. P. MUSLIM LEAGUE PARLIAMENTARY BOARD WHICH MET TO-DAY, MR. Z. H. LARI PRESIDING, PASSED A RESOLUTION WITHDRAWING FROM THE ENSUING BYE-ELECTIONS TO THE U.P. LEGISLATURE "IN ITS ANXIETY TO SAVE THE LIFE OF MAHATMA GANDHI."

The resolution said "the U.P. Muslim League Parliamentary Board is perturbed by the decision of Mahatma Gandhi to fast indefinitely with a view to bring about communal amity in the country and the Board is anxious to contribute towards creation of conditions which would enable Mahatma Gandhi to terminate his fast. It has been suggested in certain circles that contesting of bye-elections to the U. P. Legislative Assembly on behalf of the Muslim League is likely to embitter certain sections of the population. It cannot and should not be so. But this is not the time to argue. In its anxiety to save the life of Gandhiji the Board will do everything possible that is consistent with self-respect and to demonstrate the same the Board hereby withdraws from contest and revokes its ticket to various candidates for the ensuing bye-elections".

The Board also passed a resolution regretting the continuation of searches of Muslim houses and cancellation on a large scale of licenses of arms in favour of the minority community during the last two months and calls upon the Government in the good name of the state and communal amity to revise its policy in this regard and stop searches and restore the arms to the minority lawfully possessed by it on the day of independence and disarm that section of the population which has actually resorted to violence thereafter.

The Board also calls upon Muslims never to possess or tolerate any unlicensed arms and return the same if any.

Mr. Z. H. Lari, leader of the Muslim League party in the U. P. Legislature disclosed in an interview today that he had decided not to join the Muslim League party in the Constituent Assembly to which he has recently been elected.

He said "I was elected to the Constituent Assembly inspite of the opposition of the present of the U.P. Muslim League and U. P. Muslim League Parliamentary Board and a small section of the Muslim Leaguers in the U.P. Legislative Assembly party and with the predominant support of the Muslim League and unanimous support of Non-League members. As such I am not under an obligation to join the Muslim League party in the Constituent Assembly and I believe that continuance of any communal party is not desirable. Hence I will remain an independent member of the Constituent Assembly".

Asked as to whether the Muslim League party in the U.P. Legislature would dissolve itself in the new political set up he said the predominant section in Muslim League party which supported him supported his views that communal parliamentary parties should no longer function in this country. The question had not been discussed at any of the party meetings but it might be considered in the near future".

British Papers Flash Gandhiji' Success

"Power May Prove Greater Than Atom Bomb"; Says "News Chronicle"

LONDON, Jan. 19. (Reuter): The success of Mahatma Gandhi's fast demonstrates a power which may prove greater than the atom bomb and which the west should watch with envy and hope, the 'News Chronicle' declared to-day.

"At the time when tempers in India and Pakistan were rising fast, men have halted in their tracks. A breathing space has been secured. The great statesmanship of Pandit Nehru and those who like him, draw their inspiration from Gandhi has been refreshed and given a chance to exercise new strength," the paper said in a leading article.

"In western Europe and in America it has long been recognised that Mr. Gandhi is wielding a force against which no material weapons can prevail, he is mobilising man against the things which man created and man in the end will always be greater than his creations."

In the place of its usual feature articles the 'News Chronicle' quoted at length from Gandhi's writings after his 21 day fast in 1924, under the heading "The Mystery and Power of a Frail Old Man of 77 Shakes the World and Inspires it with New Hope." Side by side with this article the paper published a column-long extract from Pandit Nehru's book "Discovery of India" describing Gandhi as "a current of fresh air that made us strength ourselves and take deep breaths".

All British papers splash the ending of the fast in their front pages with reports describing the joyful scenes in Delhi.

IDEALISM VINDICATED.

These are some comments.

Times: "Mr. Gandhi's remarkable influence over his countrymen has been shown once more. The dark tide has not yet turned. The danger remains. But Mr. Gandhi's courageous idealism has never been more plainly vindicated".

SAINT AMONG POLITICIAN.

Manchester Guardian: "In appealing for communal peace and tolerance in India Gandhi is expressing what is best in all men and in all creeds. If he believes that he can further the cause of peace by exploiting his own immense prestige among the Indian masses by threatening to commit suicide if they do not listen to him—by playing—not without artifice—on their warm and emotional nature, who will say that he is not justified? India will have good cause to thank the courage and spiritual strength of this frail old man who may be a politician among saints but is no less a saint among politicians".

SANITY REGAINED.

Daily Herald: "There is relief in this country as well as in India that Mr. Gandhi has ended his fast. Apart from feeling for the man himself, his voluntary death, in such circumstances as these, would have been not only a personal tragedy but a further disaster for his country. For the moment his fast has at least shamed the more intransigent, more bitterly anti-Moslem, elements in India into a new mood of sanity and tolerance".

U. S. CHRISTIAN COMMITTEE 'TO ARM JEWS'

Calls Truman To Modify Arms Embargo

NEW YORK, Jan. 19. (Reuter): Formation of a Committee "to arm the Jewish state" with Senator Robert F. Wagner as Honorary Chairman and Dean Aleange, head of the American Christian Palestine Committee of New York as chairman was announced here today.

The Committee telegraphed President Truman calling on him to "take immediate action to modify the arms embargo to the Middle East so as to permit lend-lease and shipment of military equipment of those states that support the United Nations decision to partition Palestine."

The Committee issued a statement that it would not solicit funds for the purchase of arms, but would strive to create public awareness of the need to arm a Jewish military for self-defence and to prevail on the United States to take the leadership within the framework of the United Nations to implement partition.

EXHIBITION OF SUBHAS BOSE'S WRITINGS

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19 (API): Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose's letters to his mother when he was a schoolboy in Cuttack some of his favourite songs written in his own handwriting, a manuscript of Desabandhu Das's life which he commenced writing in 1936 and many other personal belongings as well as presents made to him by foreign Governments when he was the head of the Azad Hind Government, will be on view at an exhibition that is being organised to open on January 23 on the occasion of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose's 52nd birthday.

Nation Rejoices Over Termination Of Fast

No Greater Friend Of Muslims Than Gandhiji, Says H. H. Shah Mahomed Taqi

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19. (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi had a comfortable night. He got up at 3-30 a. m. as usual and carried on his routine work.

He rested again for about one and half hours.

His general condition is satisfactory.

A big public meeting will be held today (19th instant) at 4-30 p.m. at the amilia grounds under the presidentship of Dr. Rajendra Prasad for thanksgiving on the termination of Mahatma Gandhi's fast. Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, Maulana Abul Kasam Azad, Sjt. Jairamdas Daulatram, Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, Rajkumari Amrit Kaur and others will speak.

The hint that he might, before long, make Pakistan the centre of his peace-mission activities, is understood to have been given by Gandhiji, during his talk to the members of the Delhi Peace Committee immediately before breaking his fast yesterday.

The United Press of India is reliably informed that Gandhiji said that now that his mission in Delhi might be taken as fulfilled, he may leave Delhi before long. "God only knows where I will go to. But I may go to Pakistan where I propose to tell my Muslim brethren that, just as India is not exclusively a land of the Hindus and Sikhs, similarly Pakistan is not the home exclusively for the Muslims", Gandhiji is reported to have made these observations in the course of his talks.

On enquiries made in the Gandhi Camp, the United Press of India understands that, since yesterday, several telegraphic messages have been received from influential Muslim members in Pakistan conveying grave anxiety and concern over the continuance of the fast. Mr. Zahid Hussain, The Pakistan High Commissioner in Delhi, also informed Gandhiji on the occasion of the fast-breaking yesterday that he had received several telephonic enquiries from the Pakistan authorities in the same connection.

DR. ROY POSTPONES DEPARTURE

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19. (U.P.I.): Dr. B. C. Roy, who was to have left for Calcutta today, it is learnt, has been requested to postpone departure till tomorrow, in order that he might lay down the line of treatment to be adopted, following Gandhiji's five-day fast.

According to present indications, Dr. Roy will assume charge as the Premier of West Bengal tomorrow. The personnel of his Cabinet will be announced following the meeting of the Congress Assembly Party of West Bengal tomorrow or the day after.

NIZAM'S MESSAGE TO MAHATMA

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Jan. 19 (UPI): "I trust your fast will prove successful in bringing about amity and harmony between the various communities residing in India and achieving its noble purpose. In my opinion every one must realise the importance of your life that was spent for the good of the people as a champion of their cause".

Thus observes the Nizam of Hyderabad in a telegram sent to Gandhiji on hearing about the breaking of the fast.

Mir Laik Ali, Prime Minister of Hyderabad sent the following telegram to Gandhiji: "Greatly relieved to learn that you have been able to break your fast, just when I was about to proceed to Delhi. I earnestly hope, your sublime mission to bring about complete communal harmony will be crowned with success".

There was great anxiety in Hyderabad among all sections and communities over the Mahatma's fast. It is reliably understood, Mir Laik Ali, the Prime Minister of the State, was contacted by highly-placed persons in Delhi and Bombay to use his good offices for bringing about conditions that would enable Mahatma Gandhi to break his fast early. Mir Laik Ali accordingly made out a programme and a special plane was ready at the airport to take him to Bombay to discuss further steps with Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's Deputy Prime Minister, who is at present there, and then to proceed to Delhi the same evening.

It was considered probable that his efforts might need one or two journeys between Delhi and Karachi for very 'high-level' negotiations. However, just as he was about to leave his residence for the airport, the welcome news of Mahatma Gandhi's breaking of the fast was received over the wireless and he cancelled his departure at the last minute.

BIHAR MINISTER'S APPEAL

PATNA, Jan. 19 (UPI): "The world in general and India in particular heaves a sigh of relief at the news that Gandhiji has broken the fast", said Mr. Abdul Quaiyum Ansari, President of the All-India Muslim Conference and Minister for Relief, Rehabilitation and Public Works, Bihar, when interviewed by the United Press of India today.

"But", he continued, "We need not rejoice that we have been completely out of the wood. The greatest amount of our rejoicing will come when the assurances given by the leaders of the various communities is converted into action, and the object for which the fast was undertaken has been fully attained. Let mutual bickering and recriminations, that have of late disfigured the body politic of India and harmed her fair name, become things of the past. Let us sincerely repent for our follies and march together hand in hand towards the goal of achieving a bright and prosperous India, built up on the joint endeavours of all those inhabiting his vast subcontinent—an India where hate distrust, suspicion and jealousy be conspicuous by their absence. Let the change of heart noticed today among the people of the different communities continue for all time to come and let there be no relapse to insanity. That alone will be the true indication of our love and respect for the great apostle of truth, who was out to die so that others might live. Long live Mahatma Gandhi. Long Live India".

JUBILATION IN LONDON

LONDON, Jan. 19 (Reuter): Joy at the successful conclusion of Mahatma Gandhi's fast to achieve Hindu-Muslim unity was expressed in Britain last night by the High Commissioner for India, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan and Lord Pethick-Lawrence, former British Secretary of State for India.

Two hundred members of the Indian Colony in London said prayers and sang Tagore songs before V. R Rao's full-length portrait of Mahatma Gandhi at India House. Tonight Hindus, Muslims, Sikhs, Parsis and English admirers will attend a special public thanksgiving meeting at the headquarters of the Society of Friends, the quaker community.

"NO GREATER FRIEND OF MUSLIMS"

NEW DELMI, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): **His Holiness Shah Mohd Taqi Aziz Mia Sajjadanashin Khankahnaisia, Bareilly, in a telegram to Mahatma Gandhi said there was no greater friend of Musalmans than Mahatma Gandhi either in India or Pakistan.**

BOMBAY'S LEAD

Haji Hasanally P. Ebrahim, M.L.A., J.P., President of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League, in the course of statement says:

"The news of Gandhiji's breaking the fast has brought a sense of relief and pleasure to every Indian. Bombay has given a lead under Sardar Patel, by pledging to maintain the peace".

PLEA FOR INTER-DOMINION BOARD

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): In a statement on the end of Mahatma Gandhi's fast Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy today suggests the establishment of a board composed of high-ranking representatives of the Dominions of India and Pakistan with a view to removing misunderstandings that arise.

Mr. Suhrawardy said: "One of the things which Gandhiji wants is that the two dominions must co-operate with each other. There is unfortunately too much suspicion which can easily be removed. When I go to Pakistan, hear charges that the Indian union does not implement agreements. In the Indian Dominion, I hear similar charges against Pakistan. Then there is quite a long list on either side of obstructions and unfair dealings".

Mr. Suhrawardy said that the Inter-Dominion Board could meet frequently, so that misunderstandings may never have chances of developing.

BOMBAY, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): A meeting held at Kandivalee last night under the auspices of the Bombay and Suburban Refugees Aid Society, Dr. R. R. Thakar, presiding, passed a resolution expressing gratification at the termination of Mahatma Gandhi's fast and calling on all refugees in Bombay to work for peace and unity.

COIMBATORE, Jan. 19, (A.P.I.): Joyous satisfaction at the termination of Mahatma Gandhi's fast was expressed in a resolution unanimously adopted by the Tamilnad Political Conference which reassembled here this morning.

INDUSTRIAL PEACE IN RAILWAYS

A. I. R. F. And Ministry Of Railways To Meet On January 21

BEZWADA, Jan. 18 (API): A strong criticism of the Government of India's policy in not implementing the recommendations of the Central Pay Commission was given by Mr. S. Guruswamy, General Secretary of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation, at a press conference here to-day. If the Ministry of Railways do not change their policy the Federation would have to revise its attitude, added Mr. Guruswamy.

Mr. Guruswamy said that the meeting between the All-India Railwaymen's Federation and the Ministry of Railways to take place on January 21 at New Delhi, would be of far-reaching consequence in determining the future of industrial peace in the Railways.

Continuing he said that the All-India Railwaymen's Federation would not look with complacency those developments, and would be compelled to take every legitimate steps to see that transport efficiency was not jeopardized by the reactionary developments in connection with the implementation of the pay scales.

Mr. Guruswamy mentioned about the discharge of nearly 800 railwaymen in the Jodhpur railway for refusing to work in Pakistan area in the absence of sufficient protection and said that the Federation would take up this matter for discussion with the Union Government shortly.

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COTTON REMAINS FIRM WITH DECONTROL REPORT

Bullion Quietly Steady

BOMBAY Jan. 19.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was very steady with moderate business passing. Steel shares opened steady and fluctuated within a narrow range while cotton mill shares were steady under hopes of an early end of cloth control The market seems to believe that control on steel will continue and this year's profits are not likely to be satisfactory in view of the decrease in productions However the market will be guided by the grant of increase in Steel prices but the usual uncertainty of the Budget is likely to restrict operations.

Tata Steel Dfds opened at Rs 1952 and improved at Rs 1965 but declined at Rs. 1950 and steadied at Rs 1961 Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 385 and improved at Rs 396. Bombay Dyeing opened at Rs. 1252 and after improving at Rs 1257 declined at Rs. 1235 and steadied at Rs. 1242. Kohinoors opened at Rs. 665 and advanced at Rs. 664 but declined at Rs. 655 and steadied at Rs. 661. Swadeshi shares opened at Rs. 678 and advanced at Rs 651

Later on the market moved within a narrow range. Tata Steel Dfds were done at Rs. 1960 and Ordinary shares were placed at Rs. 383/8. Bombay Dyeings were quoted at Rs. 1242/8 while Kohinoors stood at Rs. 665 and Swadeshi shares were placed at Rs. 670 Associated Cements were placed at Rs. 187/8 and Burmas were done at Rs 497/8 while Scindia shares were quoted at Rs. 30/15. Today's improvement was due to decontrol of cloth followed by moderate buying and short covering.

MILL SHARES

Bombay Dyeing 1242/8 Kohinoor 667 Swadeshi 683 Nagpur 370 Simplex 249 New Great 464 Gokak, 359 Indore 707/8 Century X. R. 500 Colaba 380 I. Bleaching 160 Swan 388 Finlay 349 Morarji 600 Edward 700 Meyer X. D. 222/8 Apollo 4/5 I. U. Ordinary 17/5 I. U. Defd. 3/4/6 Madhusudan 280 Poddar 387/8 Khatau X D 277/8.

STEEL

Tata Steel Ord. 383/8 Tata Steel Defd. 1960 Second 151.

CEMENT

Associated Merger 187

INDUSTRIES

Burma X D 498/12 Belapur 336/8 Shivrajpur 38/8 Scindia X. R. X. D. 30/12 Construction 244 Tata Chemical 17/6 Tata Oil 69 Indian Iron 37/9 Bengal Steel 32/12.

ELECTRIC SHARES

Tram Ord. 139/4 Tata Hydro 165 Andhra 1532/8 Power 1620.

MILLS (CASH)

Elphinstone 90 Phoenix 480 Ind. Mfg. 4465 Kooria 280 Dawn 1545 David 145 New City 231/4 Minerva 213/12 Bradbury 702/8 Bharucha (Defd.) 7 Bharat 48/8 Mysore 240 Madhavji 19/6 Model 208/12 Laxmi X. D. 1650 Vishnu X. D. 628/12 Western 4355 Standard 500 Sholapur 5285 Sassoon Cotton 19 Hindustan 4550 Tata 85 Ahmedabad Advance 551/4 Sassoon Silk 72/8 New Union 20 Madhusudan 292/8 Shrinivas 450 Raja Bahadur 125 Berar 265 Victoria 425 Simplex Cpn. 128.

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH)

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BANK SHARES

Reserve 116/8 Imperial 2272/8 P. P. 558/12 Central 96 Coupon 19 India 242/8 Union 10/12 Baroda 172 Habib 151/8 Dena Bank 60 United Commercial 79/8 Jaipur 52 Hindustan Com. 42/8 Mysore 365 Exchange (Ord.) 50 Eastern 105.

INSURANCE

Oriental 6300 Empire 785 New India 81/8 Jupiter 33/8 Vulcan 14/9 Indian Mercantile 55 Universal Fire 15/12 British India General 21 Prud 36/8 Neptune 7 New Great 27 All-India General 31

RAILWAYS

C. P. 107/8 Mymensing 113 Guaranteed 113 Pachora 100.

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock X R 330 Steamer X D 588 Burma New X. D. 161/4 B. B. Petrol 3/7 Mackenzie 145 Port Canning 75 Kemp 510 Zandu Pharmacy 180 Indian Investment Trust 107 Winco 313/12 Dharamsey Chemical 37 Mukund Iron 10 Dena Trust 24 Alembic 267 Supreme India 130 Jamwire 108 Bombay Uganda 60 Bombay Motor Cycle 42 India Cement 32 Walchand Nagar Industries X R 190 United Motor 76 A. C. C. New 112/8 Bombay Safe Deposit 865 Hydri Construction 15/6.

PREFERENCE SHARES

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 205 Tram 50 Andhra Valley 1362/8 Tata Power 1435 Hydro 136/10 Bombay Steamer 323/12 Nagpur 705 Swadeshi 146/4 Vishnu 825 Laxmi 310 New Great 425 Poddar 115/10 Shrinivas 101 Elphinstone 123/12 Bradbury 497/8 Surat Elec. 165/10 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 127 (Second Pref.) 123/12 Amalgamated 135 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 115 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 17/10 Supreme 120 Meyer 125 Mackenzie First 127/8 Mackenzie Second 125 And Advance 143/12 Mysore Mill 51 Standard 100 Madhusudan 12

DEBENTURES

Andhra 1952 (4) 103/8 B. Steamer 1950 (8) 106/12 I Hume Pipe (6) 111 Tata Power 1951—102/8 Walchand Nagar (6) 117

OUTSIDE SHARES

India Copper 3/6 B. I. C. 10/3 Burma Corporation 4/1 New Victoria 6/4 New Victoria Preference 7/6 Raja 28 Phalton 122 Gold Mohar 350 Kaiser-I-Hind 380 Sajjan 302/8 Osmanshahi 300 Azamshahi 260 Air Service 13 Air Ambika 17 Air India (Tata) 185 Hind Motor 8/3 India Steam 16 Sone Valley 11/8.

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, Jan 19:

The cotton market was fairly steady and except March, other contracts were quoted at the ceiling level of Rs 530/- March opened at Rs. 526/- and after declining at Rs 523/8 under scattered selling out steadied at Rs 525/ The market is anxiously awaiting Government decision on decontrol of cloth and yarn. It remains to be seen whether cotton floor and ceiling prices will be revised and what effect the same can have on existing hedge contracts.

Later on it was reported that an increase of 25 per cent in cloth prices would be granted and mills are asked to open their shops and sell to reliable clients. As regards cotton there would be no export of cotton above 1/2 inch staple and floors and ceilings would be removed March was quoted at Rs. 526/8.

Later on there was active selling on unfounded rumours and March declined at Rs. 517 but again revived and the market closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:

I C C	Jan.	530	0 0
I C C	March	526	4 0
I C C	May	530	0 0
I C C	July	530	0 0
I C C	Sept.	530	0 0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton March contract is 1533 cent points below New York March at Exchange rate 331

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Jan. 17.

	High	Low	Closing
March	525	521/8	523/4
May	529	524/8	528

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, Jan. 19:

The Bullion market was quietly steady with restricted trading. There are acute differences between bulls and bears. Arrivals are fairly large and unless the demand improves the market looks like going down but at present the situation remains manipulated.

Forward Silver opened at Rs. 166/4 and improved at Rs. 166/10 under scattered buying but declined at Rs. 166/2 on liquidation and steadied at Rs 166/4. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 167/14. Forward Gold opened at Rs. 105/12 and after declining at Rs. 105/5, steadied at Rs. 105/10. Ready Gold was placed at Rs. 105/14. The market closed as under:

Ready Silver	167	12	0
Forward Silver	166	8	0
Ready Gold	106	2	0
Forward Gold	106	0	0

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Jan. 19.

The local produce market was quietly steady with restricted business resulting in narrow price movement. There was scattered liquidation in Castorseeds and quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
GROUNDNUTS:—			
Khandesh ready	32	12	0
Bold ready	32	8	0
Bold December-January	32	4	0
Bold February-March	31	11	0
Oil January	17	14	0
Oil February	17	13	0
Oil March	17	13	0
CASTORSEEDS:—			
Ready	35	4	0
May opened	145	8	0
May highest	145	12	0
May lowest	144	4	0
May close	144	5	0
Oil First Pressing	22	4	0
Oil Com Quality	20	10	0
LINSEED:—			
Ready	30	2	0
February-March	29	6	0
April-May	28	2	0
Oil	18	12	0

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Jan. 19.

Tata Ordinary 383/8 Tata Deferred 1960 Indian Iron 37/9 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 32/12 Bombay Dyeing 1242/8 Central India 370 Gokak 358/12 Kohinoor 666/14 Simplex 249 Swadeshi 683/2 Tata Power 1620 Associated Cement 187 Belapur 336/4 Bombay Burma (Old) 498/12 Scindia 30/12 Central Bank 96/4 New India 80/10 Tata 2nd Pref. 151/4

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTION IN SHARES

Bombay, Jan. 19.

MILLS

Ahmedabad Advance 551/4
Apollo 4/4/6 4/5
Bharat 48/8 49 48/8
B. Dyeing 1255 57/8 35 52/8 36 42/8
Bradbury Ord. 701/4 2/8
C. India 370 75 68 74 69 70
Colaba 327/8 31/4 30
Elphinstone Ord. 90
Elphinstone Pref 123/12
Finlay 345 52 48 51 49
Gokak 350 51 49 60 56 59
I. U. Defd 3/5/6 3/4/3 3/5 3/4/6
I. U. Ord. 17/7 17/5 17/6 17/5
Indore 722/8 25 12/8 17/8 7/8
Khatau 277/8
Kohinoor 657 65 59 64 56 63 60 67
Meyer 222/8 20 22/8
Model 208/12
Morarji 600 598/12 600
New City 235 31/4
New Great 460 65 55 57 49 58 52 54
Shrinivas 450
Simplex 251 47 49 47/8 53 48/8 49
Swadeshi 678 81 76 81 78 83
Swan 388 90 88
Tata Mills 87 86
Vishnu 640 28/12
Western India 4355
C P. Rly. 107 7/8

BANKS

Central 96 96/8 95/8 97 95/8 96
Habib 152
Imperial Old 2272/8 70 72/8
Imperial New 562/8 61/4 62/8 58/12
India 243 42
Reserve 116/6
Union 10/14 10/12
U. Commercial 81 79 80 79/8

ELECTRIC

Andhra Valley 1535 32/8
Ajmer 9/14 10
B. Tram Ord. 136 38/12 39/12 39/4
Hydro 166 65
Hydro Pref 136/14
Power 1627/8 25 30 20
New India Ass. 80/8 79/8 81 80/8

STEAMER

B. Steam 582/8 85
Scindia 31/4 30/13 30/15 30/9 30/12 30/11 30/12

STEEL

B. Steel 33 33/4 32/12
I. Iron 37/6 37/10 37/8 37/9
Tata Defd 1950 66/4 57/8 67/8 50 62/8 55 60
Tata Ord. 383 84/8 83/8 84/8 83 84/8 82 83/8
Tata IInd Pref 150/8 51/8 51

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 330
A. C. C. Old 190 88 89 87 88/6 87
A. C. C. New 112/8
Belapur 339 40 38 39 36/8
B. B. Old 500 498/12 500 498/12
B. B. New 161/4 60 61/4
B. B. Petrol 3/8 3/7
I. Bleaching 163 60
I. I. Trust 107
P. Const. 247 45 48 44 46 43 44
Shivrajpur 37/8 38/8
Tata Chem. 17/6 17/2 17/8 17/6
Tata Oil 69 68/8 68
Wimco 315 13/12

SPECIAL

Central Coupon 20 19
Hindustan Commercial Bank 43
Muhamodi Steamship 101
Simplex Coupon 126 28
Haydari Const. 15/6
B. Steam Debenture 105

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, Jan. 19.

	Rs.	as.	p
2-1/2 p.c. 1954	98	12	0
2-1/2 p.c. 1950	101	6	0
2 1/2 pc 1961	97	12	0
2-3/4 pc 1948-52	100-8-0		
2-3/4 pc 1960	99-15-0		
2-3/4 p.c. 1962	100	4	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1976	99	10	0
3 p.c. Non-Terminable	110	6	0
3 pc 1986 Con.	100-11-0		
3 pc 1949-52	102-0-0		
3 pc 1951-54	102-12-0		
3pc 1953-55	102-10-0		
3 pc 1952	102-8-0		
3 p.c. 1959-61	102	5	0
3 pc 1963-65	101-9-0		
3 pc 1966-68	101	7	0
3 pc 1970-75	101	8	0
3-1/2 pc 1951-59	106-4-0		
4 p.c. 1948-53	102	12	0
4 pc 1960-70	113	10	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1950-55	106	4	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1955-60	114	2	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1958-67	117	8	0

PROVINCIAL LOANS

2-3/4 p.c U P. 1961	99	0	0
2-3/4 p.c. Madras 1961	99	2	0
3 p.c. Bombay 1958	102	0	0
3 p.c. Bombay 1955	102	0	0
4 p.c. Punjab 1949	99	8	0
3 p.c. Madras 1952-53	101	0	0
3 p.c. Punjab 1952	99	8	0
3 p.c. U P 1952	101	0	0
3 p.c. C. P 1952	101	0	0
3 p.c. N W F. 1952	100	4	0
3 p.c. U. P 1961-66	101	2	0
3 p.c. Bombay Port Trust	113	0	0
4 p.c. Bombay Municipality City	113	0	0
3 p.c Bombay Municipality 1959	118	0	0
3 p.c. Bombay Municipality 1954	120	0	0
3-1/4 p.c. New Municipal 1977	102	4	0
5 pc K. P. T.	114	0	0

AHMEDABAD SHARE MARKET

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 19.

Closing quotations:

Calico 1499, Arvind 1685, Ambica 470, Jupiter 436, Marsden 223, Monogram 192, Saraspur 700, Diffd 1965, Arvoday Spinning 475, New Textile 1295, Nootan 557/8, Ashok 685.

CHEQUES CLEARED

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending the 16th Jan. 1948 were as under—:

Number of Cheques: 192511
Amount of Cheques: Rs 54 86 64 375-3-32

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Jan. 19.

B C Rates T T D D 1/5 15/16 Ready
B C Rates T T D D 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months
London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 Ready
London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months
London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 9th Months
London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/8 7th and 9th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6/-5/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th and 9th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th and 9th Month
New York and Montreal B C Rates T T Rs. 332 1/4
Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 332 1/4
Banks Buying T T Rs. 330
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs 328 3/4
Montreal Rs 328 1/2
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs 329
Montreal Rs 328 3/4 L/C
Paris Banks Selling T T Fcs. 3550
Paris Banks Buying T T Fcs. 3650
Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D D Fl 79
Belgium Banks Selling T T D D Fcs. 1305
Java Banks Selling T T D D—
Hongkong Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 84
Singapore Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 157 1/4
New York-London Cross Rate Dol. 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4
London Discts 3 Months 17/32 p.c.
London Discts 6 Months 9/16/-5/8 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c. Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

Money:—Call 1/2 p c 3 months 3/4 p c 6 months 1 p c 12 months 1-1/2 p.c.

Tone:—Easy.

PROFITS OF IMPERIAL BANK.

We give below for information the net profits for the half-year ended 31st December, 1947, and their distribution:—

	Rs.
Net Profits for the half-year ended 31st December 1947	60,98,300
Brought forward from 30th June 1947	44,42,000
Total Rs.	1,05,40,300
The Directors have declared a dividend of 14 per cent per annum, absorbing	39,37,500
Transferred to Reserve Fund	2,50,000
Transferred to Pension Funds	1,63,100
Bonus to Staff including Independence Bonus paid in August 1947	20,00,000
Carried forward	41,89,700
Total Rs.	1,05,40,300

STEADY FALL IN HAPUR COMMODITIES

Transport Difficulties Check Further Drop

HAPUR, Jan. 16.

There has been a steady fall in commodity prices during the last fortnight. Kharif grain prices have invariably declined since the announcement of the U. P Governments policy of immediate decontrol made of Jan. 7th. Rabi grain prices are, however, held up here but once the transport difficulties are overcome there is no doubt that prices thereof also will slip down. Here are the comparative tables for the Hapur market.

	Jan. 16	Jan. 8	Jan. 1, 1948
	Rs. As.	Rs. As	Rs. As.
Wheat	22 0	22 8	26 0
Gram	18 12	19 8	20 0
Barley	14 0	14 0	15 0
Maize	13 0	15 0	16 0
Bajra	14 4	15 8	16 6
Juar	13 4	14 4	14 8
Peas	12 8	13 0	15 4
Arhar	12 12	13 8	16 0
Urd	19 0	20 8	21 12
Moong	18 8	18 8	20 0
Gur	11 8	12 4	14 6
Sakkar	13 0	14 0	15 12
Sarson	22 4	24 0	26 4
Groundnut	12 2	12 0	12 8
Oil	65 to 68	67 0	67 0
Oats	9 12	10 0	11 4
Bengla	15 0	15 0	15 6

Movement of foodgrains gur and oil are extremely slow as the railway transport continues to be inaccessible. Motor transport is very expensive Gur prices in some of the western districts of the U.P have fallen down to 9 per maund. In the absence of early loading prospects there is no buyer in the market. Stockists have already suffered heavy losses. Storage and investment facilities are practically non-existent.

RESUMPTION OF FORWARD TRADING

One result of the decontrol policy of the Government has been resumption of forward trading in many commodities. In some of them 'futures' are being operated upon in an authorized manner regulated by the local Trade associations. In others business is so far informal but there is the business and this affects ready section also. Presently forward business in Hapur is being carried on in Peas, Arnar, Sarson, Oilcakes and Gur. The Jeth futures of Peas Arhar and Sarson are appreciably lower as compared to ready prices which indicates an unmistakable bearish turn in the market.

In the case of Gur, futures have made confusion worse confounded. With the creation of glut conditions due to transport blockade, there have appeared many sellers while in normal times there should have been none and prices are being slashed down lower and lower.

It would, however, be remembered that the prices quoted above are today's ready open market quotations and in the case of Jan 1, what may be called black market prices. Current prices are definitely much higher than either the control rates or the rationed grain rates. Even in case of Kharif grains market prices are appreciably higher than the Governments ceiling purchase prices.

Burma Plans Cotton Harvest Recovery

Move For Construction Of Spinning And Weaving Factory

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (UPA.)

Among the early economic goals of Burma, whose independent existence became effective January 4th, will be the restoration of cotton production to the pre-war level of about 100,000 bales annually and the construction of a governmental cotton spinning and weaving factory. Cotton varieties are to be improved.

AMERICAN AID

The U. S. Department of Commerce has distributed information concerning Burma's factory machinery needs to manufacturers in this country and is giving the customary aid of contact and information to the representatives of Burma here. As there is a great post-war deficit in cotton textile machinery here—some experts estimating that United States factories are three years behind orders—the Burmese requirements are not likely to be met easily

Burma's raw cotton production was practically discounted during the war, but Department of Agriculture experts here believe that it may have recovered to about 17,000 bales in 1946, compared to an estimated annual production of 97,000 in pre-war period 1935 to 1939.

In 1937-38 Burma exported 87,191 bales of cotton and in 1939-40, 84,250 bales. The remainder was used in the cottage industry as there was no spinning factory in Burma. Pre-war exports went largely to Japan, with lesser shipments to China.

SHORT STAPLE COTTON

Burma cotton thus far has always been short staple, suited to the manufacture of coarse yarns and has not been regarded as competitive with U. S. cotton However, the cumulative effect of cotton planting in many of the smaller cotton-producing countries would be of significance to the United States cotton industry when world supply is again normal or in surplus.

From the world long-term standpoint, Burma's effort to restore her raw cotton production occurs at an auspicious time. According to the last world survey of the International Cotton Advisory Committee, issued on October 28, the world supply of cotton for the 1947-48 season seems likely to approximate 43,500,000 bales—about 3,000,000 bales below the previous season and 11,000,000 bales below the pre-war peak in 1938-39.

World stocks of cotton on August 1, 1947, were about 18,200,000 bales—about 6,500,000 bales less than at the start of the 1946-47 season and nearly 7,000,000 bales than the relatively large carryover on August 1, 1938.

LARGE DOMESTIC NEED

To experts here the most interesting aspect of the Burma cotton programme is the Government's intention to industrialize. Usually the effects of industrialization in a growing country are to reduce exports of raw cotton while reducing the need for imported textiles. Under favourable conditions, the Burma industry should be able eventually to use the indicated production of raw cotton, as domestic need for textiles is large.

Apart from the Burma cotton programme expert interest in the Far Eastern situation is directed particularly to the status of Japan's cotton spinning. In 1938, according to the International Cotton Advisory Committee, 12,500,000 spindles were in place in Japan, but not all were in operation. At the end of the war, the number had been reduced by damage and scrapping to under 2,750,000.

A goal of 4,000,000 operable spindles has now been set and in June, 2,850,000 were in place, of which 2,250,000 were operating.

RAW COTTON SITUATION

BRIGHT SENTIMENT ON PROSPECTS OF DECONTROL

The Patel Cotton Co., Ltd., have issued the following weekly report:—

A broader interest displayed by speculative and trade interests on a favourable interpretation of the export outlook accounted for the continuance of the rising trend in New York cotton futures earlier in the week. Later, the belief that Congress may make the foreign aid programme a target for budget prunning unsettled the market, because the large amount of exports involved in the Marshall plan is of no little consequence.

The U. S. export position for the current season can be roughly summarised thus:—

	Bales.
Exports 1st August 31st December of 1947	700,000
Prospective exports during the remainder of the season:	
To Japan	300,000
To France, Austria, Italy (under the Interim aid)	250,000
To all other countries including China	500,000
"Marshall Aid exports" if approved)	781,000
	2,531,000

The rapid drain on dollar resources in cotton consuming contries indicates a dollar crisis in the not distant future. The trade also has been giving major attention to the question whether the European recovery programme will be approved in time for the scheduled April-June imports of 781,000 bales by the Marshall countries.

The U. S. Tariff Commission, it is learnt, has been requested by the Cotton Textile Institute for substantial liberalisation of restriction now in force on import of long staple foreign cotton This year's crop, it is pointed out, was exceptionally deficient of long staple length and 1.1/8" and over were far below estimated requirement of cotton textile mills. A simlar situation had developed last year and the necessary relief was granted covering industry's needs.

Leading Egyptian cotton merchants are reported to be urging a two month stop in Government cotton sales on the ground that these are causing prices to fall. The Finance Ministry officials explain that they were selling only such grades as are unavailable in the open market. Nevertheless, they assured that the situation will be reviewed if Government cotton sales were influencing prices bearishly.

DECONTROL PROSPECTS.

The sentiment in the Bombay market has been bright during the week on prospects of decontrol. The prices therefore have once again rapidly surged forward, all deliveries except March shooting up today to the ceiling Rs. 530. The advance was influenced both by heavy short covering and mill buying. Lower private crop estimates in Broach districts and serious crop deterioration due to the failure of rains in Southerns have been responsible for a firmer tendency in cotton. Further tenders this week, bringing the total to only 2,150 bales were considered comparatively meagre and underlined the tightness of the supply position. In view of prices paid by local mills, tendering on the contract is not attractive. The recent Karachi riots, have added to the already grave marketing and transport difficulties, making the supply position still more problematic.

Mills are, however, somewhat chary of entering the market freely for their requirements as they do not know what the price structure will be in view of the momentous discussions now taking place. The Tripartite Industrial Committee on Textiles met at New Delhi and discussed the question of standardisation of wages bonus and dearness allowance etc.

The Textile Advisory Committee will meet in Bombay on the 18th instant. The two major questions viz. the future of textile control and the programme of stepping up production will be discussed in this meeting and definite decisions will be arrived at. This meeting is regarded as a crucial one as the decisions will have an important bearing on the future of Indian cotton economy

DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION.

Domestic consumption of Indian cotton in September and October has been estimated at 933,000 bales being about 7,000 bales in advance of the figures of the corresponding period last year. Stocks of cotton held by All-India mills as on October 31, 1947 were 238,000 bales less than a year ago. The above estimates do not include figures for 5 mills in the West Punjab.

In the Ready section, prices have been steadily maintained with a tendency to firm up. Mills are compelled to pay higher prices whenever they are in the market, as it is becoming increasingly difficult to pick up desirable lots owing to smaller arrivals in Bombay Some business was recorded in Egyptian styles but as advancing prices. U. K. Commission's interest for Indian cotton is mainly on Broach, C. P., low Bengals, and Karachi styles.

Labour Cost To Raise Cotton Parity By Seven Cents A Pound

The New York Cotton market weekly review states:—

Movements were erratic with the sudden and unexpected expansion of export demands which subsequently were overshadowed by renewed apprehension that cotton export allocations under the Marshall plan would be scaled down by Congress together with temporary stagnation in the textile market and some easing in grey goods prices. In connection with inquiries from abroad it is reported that France, England Germany and Italy are currently marketing for an amount ranging from 10,000 to 100,000 bales, while the Army Quartermaster is also seeking about 80,000 bales for shipment to Japan and Korea. At the same time the recent large Export Import Bank credit to Canada included a thirty million dollar allocation for cotton which is considered sufficient to cover purchases of approximately 150,000 bales. The Administration's recommendation of price supports for agriculturals to be set at 75 per cent of parity compared with current 92½ per cent for cotton caused little concern. It is pointed out that should a new parity formula be adopted to include farm labour costs, this would offset any lowing of the Government loan rate, as the Bureau of Agricultural Economics estimated several years ago that inclusion of farm labour cost would raise the cotton parity by about seven cents a pound.

Harijans Fast Before Closed Temple

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 19. (A.P.I.):

Following an appeal by the Textile Labour Association, nearly half of the 68 miles in the city were working—many with full complement—to-day, the sixth day of the workers' strike in protest against the closure of the Swami Narayan Temple to Harijans.

A number of Harijans have been fasting in front of the temple for ber has been gradually increasing. About forty Harijans were stated to be fasting to-day

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MUTT AND JEFF—Looks Like A Batch Of Triplets And A Pair Of Twins So Far — By BUD FISHER

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SMILED ON ME?
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Wanted Influential Agents to Sell the remaining Ordinary Shares (still available at par) of Indian Collieries Ltd., owning 1st class Colliery properties in Jharia. Dividend declared in 1946, the very 1st year of the Company's start— 5 per cent (tax-free) Apply sharp to Managing Agents at 12 Chowringhee Square, Calcutta, the Registered Hd. Office of the Company 6528

Wanted District Organisers to push the sale of the remaining shares of Messrs. Rainbow Paints and Chemicals (India) Ltd. on both pay and commission. The products of the Company are already in the market. Apply to Box No. 6044. "Bombay Chronicle".

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PUBLIC NOTICES

CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.
Bombay Castle, 15th January 1948.
Bombay Essential Commodities and Cattle (Control) Act, 1946.

ORDER

No. 32/IV-D(b)—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Bombay Essential Commodities and Cattle (Control) Act, 1946, (Bom. XXII of 1946) the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that with effect from the 15th January 1948, the Order No. W.A.R. 206, dated 25th March, 1947 made by the District Magistrate Kaira, shall be amended as follows namely:—

In the said order, the words "fuel wood charcoal and" shall be deleted

By order of the
Governor of Bombay.
A. L. DIAS
Joint Secretary to Government.
(6961)

PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND SUPPLY

NOTICE.
NO. CYC-2/MISC

ALL quotaholders of Mills in Bombay and Bombay Suburban District and Ahmedabad Borough and commission agents in Bombay and Bombay Suburban District and Ahmedabad Borough taking delivery on behalf of up-country quotaholders of these Mills are hereby informed that pending further instructions they should forthwith withhold all deliveries of cloth held by them either on their own account or on account of the Provincial or State purchasers. Thereafter all such quotaholders and commission agents taking delivery on behalf of up-country quotaholders should forward not later than THURSDAY, the 22nd January, 1948 to—

The Textile Commissioner,
Section CYC-21
Shahibag House, Wittet Road,
Ballard Estate, BOMBAY
or
The Deputy Director,
Branch Office of the
Textile Commissioner,
AHMEDABAD

as the case may be, the following information of the stocks of cloth in their possession at the close of business on MONDAY the 19th January, 1948 in three sections, namely:—

STATEMENT (A)
Stocks held by quotaholder on his own account.
STATEMENT (B)
Stocks paid for by quotaholder but lying with mills on his account, and
STATEMENT (C)
Stocks sold by quotaholder against release or delivery order issued by the Textile Commissioner, Bombay, or by the Maskati Panchkuva Cloth Market Association, Ahmedabad, as the case may be, but not delivered to the Provincial or State buyer, whether payment therefore has been received or not.

These Statements A, B & C should be furnished in the form in which stocks are being reported to the Textile Commissioner in Bombay or to the Maskati Cloth Distribution Office in Ahmedabad with the important difference that the number of each individual bale and its category whether Super-fine, Fine, Medium or Coarse or Fents should be detailed in each Statement.

2. Provincial or State buyers or their commission agents purchasing cloth on behalf of their principals in Provinces or States are also informed that they should submit not later than THURSDAY the 22nd January, 1948 to—

Textile Commissioner,
Section CYC-21,
Shahibag House, Wittet Road,
Ballard Estate, BOMBAY.
or
The Deputy Director,
Branch Office of the
Textile Commissioner,
AHMEDABAD.

as the case may be, statements showing the following details of stocks of cloth in their possession on TUESDAY the 20th January, 1948:—

(i) Name, address and licence number of commission agent purchasing cloth on behalf of Province or State,
(ii) Name of the Province or State on whose behalf purchases have been made,
(iii) Number and date of the purchase authority against which purchases have been made,
(iv) Name and address of the quotaholder from whom purchases have been made,
(v) Number stamped by the Mill on the bale,
(vi) Texmark number and month,
(vii) Category of cloth, whether Super-fine, Fine, Medium or Coarse or Fents, and
(viii) Ex-mill price stamped on the cloth.

T. SIVASANKAR,
Textile Commissioner.
Bombay, 19th January, 1948.
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M & S. M. RY.
TENDER—RICE.

TENDERS in sealed covers superscribed as GS/OR/Rice/BB are invited for the supply 700 tons of Raw Rice during the months of February and March, 1948, intended for this Railway's grainshops situated in Bombay Province.

The quality required is 1st sort and the rice must be packed in new gunnies of two maunds capacity and delivered FREE ON RAIL AT LOADING STATION. Inspection will be at site by this Railway's Rice Purchasing Inspector before being packed and loaded. Rice not conforming to Tender sample will not receive a Loading Certificate without which no despatches can be made.

Payment will be in terms to be mutually agreed upon and details of suppliers requirements in this matter must be stated in the Tender.

Tenders together with 1 lb. sample of the quality offered and price per maund required must reach the office of the Assistant Controller Grainshops, Hubli not later than the 26th January, 1948.
Dy. GENERAL MANAGER (GS)
Park Town, Madras
15-1-1948.
(6958A)

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

THE BANK will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 24th January, 1948, that day being a Public Holiday (ID-E-MILAD) under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.
J ROBERTSON.
Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 15th January, 1948.
(6969)

PUBLIC NOTICES

ORDER
CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT,
Bombay Castle, 14th January, 1948.

383(a) I—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Essential Supplies (Temporary Powers), Act 1946, (XXIV of 1946) READ with the Government of India, Department of Food, Notification No. PY-603(2)I dated the 21st October, 1946, the Government of Bombay is pleased to order that every person shall, on the 5th day of every month, furnish to the Director of Civil Supplies (Statistical Section), Secretariat, Bombay, in the form in Schedule II hereto appended, a full and correct statement of the stocks of any of the articles specified in column I of Schedule I hereto appended, held by him in Greater Bombay, whether on his own account or on account of or in partnership with any other person on the last day of the month immediately preceding, if such stocks amount to the quantities specified against them in column 2 of the said Schedule I.

Provided that nothing contained in this Order shall apply to any stocks of rice and paddy held by any persons against cancellation, under clauses 6 and 17 of the Bombay Suburban District Rationing Regulation, 1943, of the appropriate squares representing rice on a ration card.

2. Any Court trying a contravention of this Order, without prejudice to any other sentence it may pass, may direct that any stocks of the articles in respect of which the Court is satisfied that the Order has been contravened shall, together with receptacles in which they are contained and coverings in which they are packed, be forfeited to His Majesty.

SCHEDULE 'I'

Article 1	Quantity. 2
1. Wheat	5 maunds of 82.27 lbs. each) or more.
2. Wheat flour i.e. maida or wholemeal wheat flour.	"
3. Wheat atta, wheat-rava or wheat suji.	"
4. Wheat bran.	"
5. Rice (Including broken and Patni).	"
6. Rice flour.	"
7. Paddy.	"
8. Jowar.	"
9. Jowar flour.	"
10 Bajri.	"
11. Barji flour.	"
12. Barley.	"
13. Barley flour.	"
14. Barley bran.	"
15. Maize.	"
16. Maize flour.	"
17. Maize rava or suji.	"
18. Ragi (Nagli).	"
19. Mixtures of foodgrains containing one of more of articles mentioned in items 1 to 18 above.	"
20. Kerosene.	8 gallons or more

SCHEDULE 'II'
FORM OF STATEMENT

1. Full name and address of the person.
2. Article.
3. The exact location of the godown or godowns or any place or places where the stocks are kept.
4. (1) The quantity of stocks held (stocks of each article or each of its variety to be mentioned separately in maunds of 82.27 lbs. each except in case of kerosene which should be declared in gallons).
   (a) on his own account,
   (b) on account of any other person,
   (c) in partnership with any other person.
   (2) Full names and addresses of persons on account of whom stocks are held and the quantity of stocks held on account of each such person.
   (3) Full names and addresses of persons in partnership with whom stocks are held and the quantity of stocks held in partnership with each such person.

By Order of the Governor of Bombay,
D. S. BAKHLE,
Secretary to Government.
6963

CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.
Bombay Castle, 15th January, 1948
The Bombay Essential Commodities and Cattle (Control) Act, 1946.

ORDER.

No. 32/IV-D(c)—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Bombay Essential Commodities and Cattle (Control) Act 1946 (Bom. XXII of 1946) the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that with effect from the 15th January, 1948, the Order No. W.A.R.-64, dated 24th April, 1946, made by the District Magistrate, Belgaum, shall be amended as follows, namely:—

The following items in Schedule I appended to the said order shall be deleted namely:—
"20 Firewood
21 Charcoal".

By order of the
Governor of Bombay.
A. L. DIAS.
Joint Secretary to Government.
6960

TENDER NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS from approved Central P. W. D., contractors for the Improvement of Roads in Port Blair estimated to cost Rs. 21,49,000/- will be received upto noon on the 7th February 1948 by the Executive Engineer, Calcutta Central Division II, 1, Charnock Place, Calcutta. Tender forms can be purchased from his office on payment of Rs. 10/- (per copy) in cash which will not be refunded. Earnest money Rs. 20,000/- in Treasury Challans should accompany each tender. It is understood that the S. S. Maharaja will be sailing from Madras to Port Blair on 23-1-1948. The intending tenderers may therefore arrange for their visit to the site of work accordingly.
(6971)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. FRANCIS GILMIS GAVARIA, GAV MANVEL BASTAVGAVARIA, and ALLIS BASTAVGAVARIA, all Christian inhabitants of Khar have contracted to sell to my client free from all incumbrances their vacant plot of land, situate on the East side of Khar Railway Station and bearing Survey No. 135, Hissa No. 3, and Admeasuring 15½ Gunthas. Any person or persons having any claim of any nature whatsoever over the said land are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned within 14 days from the date hereof, failing which, the said sale shall be completed without reference to any such claim received thereafter, which shall be considered as waived and abandoned.

S. M. MEHTA
Purchaser's Advocate
510, Moos Building,
Kalbadevi Road, Bombay No. 2.
Dated 20th January, 1948.
(6975)

ORDER

CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT
Bombay Castle, 14th January, 1948

No. 383|I—In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Supplies (Temporary Powers) Act 1946 (XXIV of 1946) READ with the Government of India, Department of Food, Notification No. PY-603 (2)|I dated the 21st October, 1946, and also in exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Bombay Essential Commodities and Cattle (Control) Act, 1946 (BOM. XXII of 1946) the Government of Bombay is pleased to cancel the following orders, namely:—

(1) Government Order, Finance Department (Supply) No. 383|1-(a), dated the 7th September, 1944, as amended,
(2) Government Order, Finance Department (Supply) No. 383|I(b), dated 7th September, 1944, as amended.
(3) Government Order, Finance Department (Supply) No 383|I dated 28th March, 1945, as amended.

By Order of the
Governor of Bombay,
D. S. BAKHLE,
Secretary to Government.
6964

YOUR SAFE DEPOSIT LOCKER

If you do not want to maintain the Locker at Karachi will you kindly co-operate with us by handing your key in Bombay on the following address:—

DOONGURSEE & SONS.
Managing Agents.

THE HINDUSTHAN SAFE DEPOSIT CO. LTD.

Maneckji Wadia Building,
127, Mahatma Gandhi Road,
Fort, Bombay.
6939

SAMBHAR SHAMLAT ADMINISTRATION
TENDER NOTICE

WITH REFERENCE to this Office Advertisement, dated the 29th November, 1947, appearing in "Hindustan Times"; "Bombay Chronicle" and "Statesman" dated the 10th Dec. 47, 6th Dec. 47, and 12th Dec. 1947, respectively, it is further notified for the information of all concerned that tenders for water-works Sambhar will now be received upto 12 noon, dated the 31st March, 1948.

(Sd.) .....
DISTRICT OFFICER,
Sambhar Shamlat Area.
6957

PUBLIC NOTICES

M. & S. M. RY.
TENDER—JOWAR.

TENDERS in sealed covers superscribed as GS/OR/Jowar/BB are invited for the supply of 1,000 tons of Jowar during the months of February and March, 1948 intended for this Railway's Grainshops situated in Bombay Province.

The quality of Jowar should be superior and free from foreign matter such as clay, stone particles, dust and husk. The Jowar must be packed in new gunnies and delivered FREE ON RAIL AT LOADING STATION. Inspection will be at site by this Railway's Purchasing Inspector before being packed and loaded. Jowar not conforming to Tender sample will not receive a Loading Certificates without which no despatches can be made.

Payment will be in terms to be mutually agreed upon and details of suppliers requirements in this matter must be stated in the Tender.

Tenders together with 1 lb. sample of the quality offered and price per imperial maund required must reach the Office of the Assistant Controller (Grainshops) Hubli not later than the 26th January, 1948.
DY. GENERAL MANAGER (GS)
Park Town, Madras.
15-1-1948.
6958

CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT
Bombay Castle, 15th January 1948.
Bombay Essential Commodities and Cattle (Control) Act 1946.

ORDER

No. 32/IV-D(a)—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Bombay Essential Commodities and Cattle (Control) Act 1946 (Bom. XXII of 1946), the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that with effect from the 15th January 1948, the Panch Mahals Export Control Order, 1944, made by the Additional District Magistrate, Broach and Panch Mahals, under his No. EXP dated the 18th December, 1944, shall be amended, as follows, namely:—

In the said Order, the following items shall be deleted namely:—
"22 Firewood,
23 Charcoal."

By order of the
Governor of Bombay,
A. L. DIAS.
Joint Secretary to Government.
(6959)

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

THE BANK will be CLOSED on THURSDAY, the 22nd January, 1948, that day being a Public Holiday in the City of Bombay on account of the by-election from the Bombay City (Byculla and Parel) General Urban Constituency of the Bombay Legislative Assembly, under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.
J. ROBERTSON,
Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 16th January, 1948.
(6970)

G.I.P. RLY. —TENDERS

THE DY. GENERAL MANAGER (Grainshops), G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V. T., will receive tenders on the prescribed forms upto 3 P.M. on 27-1-48 for the supply of Pure Ghee and Groundnut Oil at the Railway Grainshops on the Poona Division. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office.
(6952)

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

Annual Contract Item Costing over Rs. 10,000/- Class I Contract.

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the following and will be received in the General Manager's office, E.I.Ry., 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta, at 12 noon on 16-2-48.

SP/E/Est/F1/26 for supply of 66 Nos. Water Columns to I.R.S. Specification No. W-6-36.

Tender forms with full particulars can be had from the office of the Controller of Stores, E.I.Ry., 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta, on payment of Rs. 5/- per copy to the Treasurer, E.I.Ry., 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta, and on production of his receipt when applying for the same.

Firms outside Calcutta may however, remit the amount to the Controller of Stores by money order. No refund is permissible.

Sealed tenders delivered by hand should be presented for registration to the General Manager's office and then put into the tender box outside the Deputy General Manager (Works), room by the tenderer or his representative.

The tender will be opened in the office of the Deputy General Manager (Works) E.I.Ry., Calcutta, at 12 noon on 16-2-48. The tenderers, if they desire, may be present at the time of opening of tender.

GENERAL MANAGER.
6965

PROCLAMATION.

BOMBAY TO WIT:—By virtue of a Precept to me directed I hereby proclaim and give notice that the First Sessions of 1948 of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery will be holden before the High Court of Judicature at Bombay at the Court House on TUESDAY the 20th January 1948 at 10-45 O'clock in the forenoon for the trial of all trespasses and other crimes Misdemeanors and Offences committed within its Jurisdiction. (For further particulars see Bombay Government Gazette Part II, dated 8th January 1948, page 20.)

Dated this 19th January, 1948.
M. L. DAHANUKAR
Sheriff of Bombay.

N.B.— It is hereby notified that the Fifth Criminal Sessions of 1947 which commenced on 20th November, 1947, has this day been dissolved

Dated this 19th day of January 1948.
M. L.D
(6983)

PUBLIC NOTICES

CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.
Bombay Castle, 15th January 1948.
Bombay Essential Commodities and Cattle (Control) Act, 1946.

ORDER

No. 32/IV-D.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Bombay Essential Commodities and Cattle (Control) Act, 1946 (Bom. XXII of 1946) the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that the orders specified in column I of the Schedule hereto appended made by the authorities specified in column II of the said Schedule shall be cancelled with effect from the 19th January, 1948.

SCHEDULE.

ORDER 1	AUTHORITY 2
1. No. W.C.S./G-N dated 13-3-45 banning the export of charcoal.	District Magistrate, Ratnagiri.
2. No. WCS/G-N dated 28-2-45 banning the export of firewood.	District Magistrate, Ratnagiri.
3. No. WAR.SR. 71 dated 20-12-45 fixing the prices of firewood.	District Magistrate, Dharwar.
4. No. WEX.SR.78 dated 17-2-45 banning the export of charcoal and firewood.	District Magistrate, Dharwar.
5. No. MIL 276 dated 23-2-45 banning the export of firewood.	District Magistrate, East Khandesh.
6. No. MIL 275 dated 18-8-45 fixing the rates of charcoal.	District Magistrate, East Khandesh.
7. No. W.A.R.366/367 dated 2-10-44 submission of monthly return of stocks of charcoal and firewood.	District Magistrate, Kaira.
8. No. WAR 366 (Supply) dated 1-6-46 regarding declaration of import of firewood or charcoal after delivery.	District Magistrate, Kaira.
9. No. M.S.C. 305 dated 17-4-45 banning the export of charcoal outside Nasik City.	District Magistrate, Nasik.
10. No. M.S.C. 305 dated 8-5-45 banning the export of charcoal outside Ghoti and firewood outside Nasik City.	District Magistrate, Nasik.
11. No. M.S.C. 305 dated 29-9-45 fixing the wholesale and retail prices of firewood.	District Magistrate, Nasik.
12. No. M.S.C. 305 dated 25-10-45 fixing the producers' prices of firewood and charcoal.	District Magistrate, Nasik.
13. No. M.S.C. 237/C dated 14-8-45 banning the export of charcoal.	District Magistrate, Ahmedabad.
14. No. M.S.C. 237/C dated 25-7-47 fixing the quantity to be sold by a charcoal dealer.	District Magistrate, Ahmedabad.
15. No. M.S.C. 237/Firewood dated 26-5-47 fixing the prices of firewood.	District Magistrate, Ahmedabad.
16. No. 6 dated 10-5-46 fixing the prices of firewood and charcoal.	District Magistrate, Karwar.
17. No. WAR. 77 dated 8-8-45 banning the export of charcoal and firewood.	District Magistrate, Broach.
18. No. WAR. 77 dated 9-8-45 prohibiting removal of charcoal or firewood consignment received at any railway station or bunder in Broach District.	District Magistrate, Broach.
19. No. SB/F.D. 3 dated 29-8-46 fixing the prices of firewood and charcoal.	District Magistrate, Satara.
20. No. MAG 2274 dated 22-9-44 banning the export of charcoal and firewood.	District Magistrate, Satara.
21. N.W.A.R. 87 dated 29-6-45 fixing the wholsale rates of firewood and charcoal for ex-depot delivery.	District Magistrate, Belgaum.
22. No. FWD WS (2097) dated 4-5-47 fixing the retail rates of firewood.	District Magistrate, West Khandesh.
23. No. P 9-4 dated 27-8-45 directing firewood retailers to hold a certain stock of firewood in reserve.	District Magistrate, West Khandesh.
24. No. P 9-4 dated 28-8-45 permitting firewood producers to sell their stocks to retailers direct.	District Magistrate, West Khandesh.
25. No. P 9-6 dated 28-5-45 fixing the wholesale and retail rates of charcoal.	District Magistrate, West Khandesh.
26. No. P 9-6 dated 18-3-45 banning the export of charcoal outside West Khandesh District.	District Magistrate, West Khandesh.
27. No. P 9-4 dated 10-3-45 banning export of firewood outside West Khandesh District.	District Magistrate, West Khandesh.
28. No. MISC. WAR 168 dated 17-1-46 fixing the prices of firewood.	District Magistrate, Ahmednagar.
29. No. MISC. WAR 169 dated 17-1-46 fixing the prices of charcoal.	District Magistrate, Ahmednagar.
30. No. P.C./0/18-II dated 29-9-46 fixing the wholesale and retail prices of charcoal.	District Magistrate, Poona.
31. No. P.C./0/18FIII dated 8-1-47 fixing the wholesale and retail prices of firewood in Poona Taluka.	District Magistrate, Poona.
32. No. P.C./0/18-F/IV dated 29-3-47 fixing the wholesale and retail rates of babul firewood in Dhond taluka.	District Magistrate, Poona.
33. No. P.C.M.R. VII-53 dated 7-2-46 fixing the ceiling wholesale rates of charcoal at specified road, rail and Bunder depots.	District Magistrate, Thana.
34. No. P.C.M.R. VII-73 dated 14-1-46 fixing the ceiling wholesale rates of firewood at specified road, rail and Bunder depots.	District Magistrate, Thana.
35. No. P.C.M.R./VII-50/73 dated 20-1-46 banning export of charcoal and firewood out of Thana District.	District Magistrate, Thana.
36. No. W.P.C. 1130 dated 31-3-46 fixing the ceiling rates of charcoal and firewood.	District Magistrate, Kolaba.
37. No. XXI/1365 dated 29-10-47 submission of stock returns and fixing the rates of charcoal.	District Magistrate, Sholapur.
38. No. Charcoal-Wood dated 27-11-43 banning the export of charcoal and firewood outside Surat District.	District Magistrate, Surat.
39. No. Charcoal dated 30-9-46 fixing the prices of charcoal for producing areas.	District Magistrate, Surat.
40. No. FWD/Prices dated 3-2-47 fixing the prices of firewood for Rander.	District Magistrate, Surat.

By Order of the Governor of Bombay,
A. L. DIAS.
Joint Secretary to Government.
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